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## Tentative Mayor Calendar Set

by Christine Piesyk  
Advertiser News Staff

Town Council is expected to approve a political calendar that will culminate in a mayoral election in May. The Board of Registrars approved the following timetable for the election of Agawam's first mayor.

**FEBRUARY 14TH:** Deadline for filing nomination papers. All signatures will be certified by the Registrars.

**MARCH 2ND:** 5:00 p.m. deadline for withdrawal of or objections to nomination papers for preliminary election.

**MARCH 4TH:** Voter registration from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Town Clerk's Office in Town Hall.

**MARCH 6TH:** Drawing by lottery for ballot order in preliminary election (primary).

**MARCH 8TH:** Last day to register to vote in special preliminary election. Town Clerk's Office will hold extended hours until 8:00 p.m.

**MARCH 28TH:** Preliminary election. Polls will be open for 12 hours, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., with two highest placing nominees to be placed on this special election ballot.

**APRIL 3RD:** Last day to file written acceptance by write-in candidates and for recount petitions to be filed.

**APRIL 4TH:** Drawing of ballot positions by lottery at 5:00 p.m., Town Hall.

**APRIL 8TH:** Voter registration from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Town Clerk's Office.

**APRIL 12TH:** Final voter registration day to be eligible to vote in the special mayoral election. Scheduled

registration hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**MAY 2ND:** Special mayoral election with polls open 12 hours, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

At its December 5th meeting, the council is expected to approve the political calendar and an ordinance establishing a mayor's salary. The salary of the former town manager before he resigned September 30th was \$52,000.

Registrars Raymond E. Charest, Mary A. Hunter, and Richard S. Brindle approved the election timetable which has also been reviewed by Town Attorney Thomas S. Locke and the Secretary of State's Election Division.

A new format for nomination papers will be established following approval by the Secretary of State. It has been determined that mayoral candidates need to acquire 100 signatures to filing nomination papers.

Campaign finance reports must be submitted to both the Town Clerk and the Campaign and Political Office of the state eight days in advance of preliminary/special elections, and these reports must be filed by the mayor during January of each year in office.

Agawam's first mayor will serve a two-and-a-half year term, expiring January 1992. The term of office will allow the mayoral and council elections to coincide, beginning in November 1991. Beginning in 1991, the mayor's term will be two years. There are no limits on the number of terms a mayor can serve.

In the November 8th election, townspeople voted by more than a 2-1 margin to replace the town manager with the elected mayor.



CHESTNUT LANE RESIDENT Walter Haynes is now on a 3,000 mile bicycle trek across the country for MS.

## Agawam Bicyclist Now Halfway Through Trek From Coast-To-Coast

Agawam resident Walter Haynes, is now fulfilling a dream that few ever realize - seeing America on a cross-country drive.

The difference with Haynes' tour of these United States is that the Chestnut Lane resident is enjoying the sights on his bicycle, hoping to travel some 3,000 miles from San Diego, California, to Orland, Florida.

And at presstime, Haynes is moving at a clip of 125 miles per day and was in Galveston, Texas, according to his brother, Feeding Hills podiatrist Michael Haynes.

Haynes, an employee of the Social Security Administration in Springfield, is using his six-week trek from coast to coast to raise money and public awareness for the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Haynes, 44, has a good friend who has the dreaded MS disease, and over the past 10 years he has learned much about the affliction.

MS mostly strikes young adults, says Haynes, at the height of their careers and family responsibilities. It's progressive and there is no cure.

Haynes was able to receive permission from his bosses at the Social Security Administration to take his vacation in November and into December. His fellow workers, who totally support his venture, have made pledges to MS for Haynes' coast-to-coast adventure.

Most of Haynes' colleagues take their vacations during the summer months, thereby allowing Haynes to use this block of time when the local SSA office is fully manned.

Actually, fitting MS into cycling across the country was the perfect situation for Haynes, who has been a serious cyclist since 1982. He is a member of the Cyclonauts and is the third of 50 members to try this type of trip.

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## Agawam VFW Helps Raise \$4,000 For St. Jude



ANN PALMER (second from right) receives an award from Shirley Rulemann of the Western Mass. St. Jude Chapter for her dedication and support of the hospital. Mrs. Palmer organized a recent champagne brunch held at the Agawam VFW for several years. Also in photo are Noreen Fusick, VFW president, and Cindy Palmer, Ann's daughter. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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"I've always wanted to do this. It will not be easy but working for MS and raising the public's awareness about the disease will keep me going through all the aches and pains," said Haynes before his departure by plane to San Diego.

In 1985 Haynes traveled from Sandisfield to Nashville, Tennessee, to visit relatives on his bike.

"My brother really believes in MS and has a feeling of social responsibility," says Dr. Haynes. "This is his way of giving something back to society."

Haynes noted that the biggest asset of a trip that began in early November is that he will be traveling in late fall through some 1,400 miles of desert from San Diego to Houston. "There's no place to hide from the heat in the desert, but this time of year it's more bearable," says Haynes.

He said mid-summer temperatures average about 115 degrees in the desert, but that at this time of year, it's in the low 80s.

"There is no way I would want to be in the desert when the temperature reaches well over 100 degrees. It still will be hot but I'm not that worried about the heat. But it won't be like taking a bike ride through New England. There's no restaurants, hotels, motels, or other stops like around here. It's just endless roads," he said.

Haynes has little luggage or gear that he's carrying during the trip. "The lighter you are, the better off you are. It's amazing how much stuff you think you need that really isn't necessary."

Agawam residents who wish to pledge contributions in Haynes' name should call the society at 732-5362, or write the MS Society, 425 Union Street, West Springfield, MA, 01089.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

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Court of Probate, District of Enfield

**LEGAL NOTICE****NOTICE TO ROBERT ERIC ANDERSON**

whose last known residence was in the town of Agawam, County of Hampden, State of Massachusetts.

Pursuant to an order of Hon. William C. Leary, Acting Judge, a hearing will be held on an application for termination of parental rights concerning a certain Minor Child born on April 1, 1976, wherein the Court's decision will affect your interests, if any, as in said application on file more fully appears, at the Court of Probate on December 19, 1988, at 3:30 p.m. in the afternoon.

By Order of the Court

Lucy A. Caracoglia, Clerk

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## Voluntary Payments Of Property Taxes Sought By Town

by Christine Piesyk  
Advertiser News Staff

Voluntary property tax payments have a double benefit - incoming funds to keep the Town of Agawam financially solvent and tax deductions for many taxpayers on their 1988 IRS returns.

Though Agawam's tax bills may or may not be ready by mid-December, Town Treasurer Rudolfo Altobelli has indicated that his office will now accept voluntary tax payments.

Altobelli recommends that the voluntary payment amounts be scaled so that the amount does not exceed the total tax due for fiscal 1988.

In response to taxpayers' requests, Altobelli's office began accepting payments from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the Treasurer's Office in Town Hall. Payments can also be made by mail to the Agawam Collector's Office, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA, 01001.

Payments made through local banks can be arranged by notifying the bank to forward real estate tax payments to the Collector's Office.

With lengthy delays in preparing the next round of tax bills, which were due out on October 1st (now being prepared by the Town Assessor's Office), the cash crunch has loomed on the town's horizons as each month's cash flow is monitored.

And with the possibility of a need to borrow in anticipation of revenue about a month ago, Town Councilors and the town administration were concerned that the tax bill delays could result in the need for a short-term loan of up to \$5 million to tide Agawam through 1988.

Altobelli indicates that voluntary payments and hopefully, the issuance of final tax bills, now being prepared under the supervision of Assessor Louis Cichetti, will eliminate the need to borrow.

Given Town Council's approval of a lower residential tax ratio, and a higher one for business, Altobelli says that taxpayers should pay slightly less than their 1988 amounts. Under the new tax policy, residents will, for the first time, pay a lower tax rate than commercial and industrial taxpayers.

Altobelli said the decision to accept voluntary payment follows several requests from residents, including some who simply showed-up at the Collector's Office wanting to pay.

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## Helpful Tips, Info For Veterans To Use

**Q. My husband was killed in World War II while on active duty and was buried at sea. I never remarried and would like to be buried in a VA national cemetery. Is this possible?**

**A. Yes.** The widow or widower of a member of the Armed Forces lost or buried at sea, or officially determined to be in a status of missing or missing in action, or whose remains have been donated to science or cremated, is eligible for burial in a national cemetery.

**Q. I own a manufactured home on a rented lot. I would like to purchase a lot for it. Can I do this using the VA guaranteed loan program?**

**A. Yes.** A VA-guaranteed loan may be used to buy and improve a lot on which to place a manufactured home you already own and occupy.

**Q. Am I required to occupy as a home the house I purchased with my VA home loan eligibility?**

**A. Yes.** In order for you to qualify for the loan, the law specifically requires you to certify that you intend to occupy the property personally as your home within a reasonable period of time.

**Q. I am a widow of a Vietnam veteran who died as a result of a service-connected disability. He never used his VA home loan entitlement. Am I eligible for this benefit?**

**A. Yes,** if you are not currently married. The widow of a veteran of World War II or later periods who died as a result of service-connected causes is eligible for this benefit.

**Q. I served six months of active duty with the National Guard. Am I eligible for VA medical benefits?**

**A. National Guard members are only entitled to VA medical benefits if they have a service-connected injury or disease which was incurred or aggravated in the line-of-duty while on active training.**

**Q. Is it possible to have closing costs included in the amount of money the Veterans Administration guarantees for a VA home loan?**

**A. No.** Closing costs may not be included in a VA home loan except for the 1 percent funding fee which may be included.

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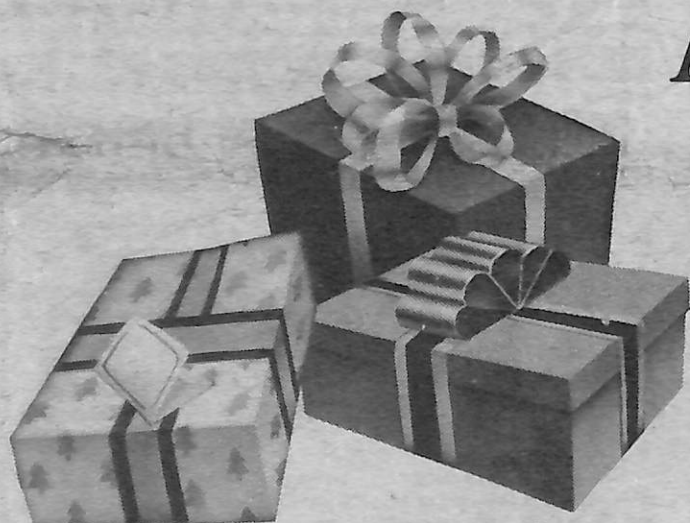
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## Editorial

### We Apologize For April 4th Date; Its Now March 28

Repeatedly during the weeks before the November 8th Election, we were running pertinent information about the change to an elected mayor.

One bit of information we passed along to our readers virtually every week, for about seven weeks, was the date of April 4th for a primary election (if more than two candidates sought the mayor's post).

This date of April 4th went unchallenged -until after voters passed the mayor petition by more than a 2-1 margin.

It seemed that because there was no mention of a primary or preliminary election in the mayoral petition passed by the State Legislature (this was the ballot question overwhelmingly passed by the voters on November 8th), some powers-to-be were recklessly stating no preliminary election would be held.

A section of the petition, however, referred to Section 7 of the Town Charter, which spells-out the election process of Agawam. Of course the charter does not mention a mayor in the preliminary election process, but COMMON SENSE dictated that if more than two individuals sought the mayor's post, a primary would be necessary.

And when applying the Town Charter to the mayor petition passed by the State Legislature, April 4th was the date we thought a primary would be held.

When asked for a ruling, Town Solicitor Thomas S. Locke concurred that a primary was indeed necessary.

However, the Secretary of State's Office, when establishing a political timetable, said MARCH 28TH (the Tuesday before April 4th) would have to be the date for a primary in order for that timetable to work.

Section 7 of the Town Charter is one area that needs to be addressed so electing a mayor is clearly spelled-out; regardless, the process is not being hindered by a lack of a few paragraphs in our Town Charter.

So, we were a week off and again apologize for our error.

We were amused that some actually believed NO PRIMARY WOULD BE HELD. Whose best interests were they protecting, anyway?

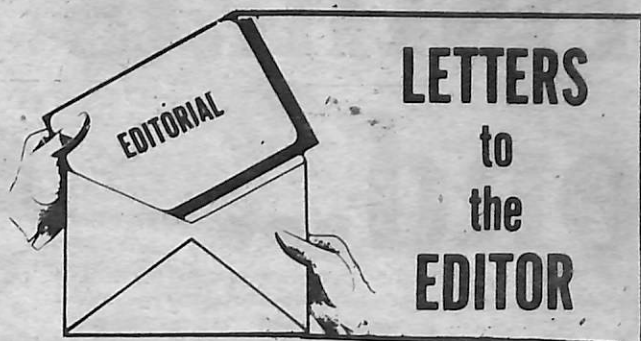
### Collector's Office Will Accept Tax Payments

The Agawam Collector's Office is accepting voluntary tax payments for their Fiscal Year 1989 Real Estate bills. Taxpayers who would like to mail their payments may do so by mailing it to the Agawam Collector's Office, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA, 01001.

If payment is made through your bank, please inform them to forward your payment to the Agawam Collector's Office.

The office will remain open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., during the first half payment period of real estate tax bills.

Check our classifieds



### Nardi Responds On Incinerator

#### To The Editor:

Last week the *Agawam Advertiser News* carried two guest editorials attacking me. Generally, in the past when I have been politically attacked, it has usually been by experts. However, in this case I was attacked by amateurs. And I loved it! In both cases the writers of the editorials are truly amateurs.

I would like to refresh Mr. Rheault's memory regarding the Bondi Island incinerator. Mr. Rheault was one of the prime proponents of the incinerator. He hand-picked his candidate, Mr. Negrucci, for the Board of Health position. Then came the constant push for the incinerator by Mr. Rheault. On several occasions at Council meetings, Mr. Rheault would announce, "I spoke to Ritchie Neal today regarding the incinerator." Evidently there was a reason why Mr. Rheault was excited about the incinerator.

Later on you will recall that Mr. Rheault's candidate, Mr. Negrucci, signed the agreement that gave Vicen the right to build the incinerator. Then when the heat got to a boiling point, Mr. Negrucci said publicly in the *Springfield News*, "I signed the agreement but I didn't know what I was signing." Why didn't you explain to Mr. Negrucci then what he was signing, Mr. Rheault?

Don't try to blame Nardi for the ash problem from the incinerator. The Agawam Meadows proposal never became a reality. The reality is that the ash that you say is so bad is presently being dumped at Bondi Island which is located in Agawam. And the toxic contamination that you state in your editorial that would have been a problem in the Agawam Meadows is for real at Bondi Island. The ash is creating all the bad things that you claim.

The real questions for Mr. Rheault and Mr. Negrucci to answer are:

1. Why was the agreement signed if you didn't understand or know what it was?
2. You state the ash is so hazardous. Why do you allow it to be dumped in Agawam?
3. When are you going to alleviate the problem that is a hazard to all of the citizens of Agawam?

Act now, Mr. Rheault, for the good of Agawam.

Frederick Nardi



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The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, December 8, 1988, at 7:45 p.m., in the Town Clerk's Conference Room, Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, is called to act upon the petition of DePalma/Pacella to perform work subject to the ACT on Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA.

Henry Kozloski, Chairman

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#### TOWN OF AGAWAM

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The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, December 8, 1988, at 7:15 p.m., in the Town Clerk's Conference Room, Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, is called to act upon the petition of Tennessee Gas Pipeline to perform work subject to the ACT on Southwick/Agawam town line eastward to just east of South Westfield Street, Agawam, MA.

Henry Kozloski, Chairman

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The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, December 8, 1988, at 8:30 PM in the Town Clerk's Conference Room, Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA. This meeting is called to hear the petition of an amended Order of Conditions for Town of Agawam property located on North Street Ext.

Henry A. Kozloski, Chairman

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#### LEGAL NOTICE

#### TOWN OF AGAWAM

#### AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a public hearing on December 15, 1988 at 7:15 PM in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of Richard S. Thomas, Jr. on a proposed zone change for land southerly of and adjacent to Orlando Street. The request is to rezone approximately 15.146 acres from Business B to Residence A-3. The property being further described and bounded as follows:

**NORTHERLY** by the parcel designated as containing 1.692 acres as shown on said plan, two hundred eighty-four and 34/100 (284.34) feet;

**EASTERLY** by land now or formerly of Pasquale Giordano, one thousand forty-two and 94/100 (1042.94) feet;

**SOUTHERLY** by land now or formerly of the Town of Agawam and by land now or formerly of Leonard P. Rising, one thousand thirty-three and 18/100 (1033.18) feet;

**WESTERLY** by land now or formerly of Leonard P. Rising and by land now or formerly of Gaetano Christoforo, four hundred ninety-six and 48/100 (496.48) feet;

**NORTHERLY** by land now or formerly of Antonio D'Agostino and by land now or formerly of Luigi Graziano, seven hundred eighty-nine and 88/100 (789.88) feet; and

**WESTERLY** by land now or formerly of Luigi Graziano, five hundred fifty-two and 25/100 (552.25) feet.

Together with the right to use as appurtenant to the premises conveyed hereby the fifty-foot right of way as shown on said plan for all purposes for which streets are commonly used, and including the right to lay, repair, maintain, and replace wires, pipes, drains, and conduits for improvements and utilities, in common with others lawfully entitled thereto.

By Order of Agawam Planning Board  
Charles R. Calabrese, chairman

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## Agawam Police Dept. Arrest Blotter For Week Ending Nov. 26

On November 19th, **Charles F. Crockett**, 413 Wells Road, East Windsor, Connecticut, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Steven Draghetti and Donald Gallerani.

On November 19th, **David Strong**, 649 Prospect Street, Chicopee, was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person. Arresting officers were Steven Draghetti and Don Gallerani.

On November 20th, **Darrick Gropp**, 487 Pleasant Street, Holyoke, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Ronald Brown and Karen Langevin.

On November 20th, **Gerald Macfadzen**, 24 Seymour Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Walter Letellier and Karen Langevin.

On November 20th, **Timothy Snyder**, 38 Highland Street, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with violation of a restraining order and being a disorderly person. Arresting officers were Daniel Ciak and Mark Pfau.

On November 20th, **Paul W. Randall**, 14 Devins Avenue, Enfield, Connecticut, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officer was Richard Curry.

On November 22nd, **Scott Thies**, 1005 Main Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department traffic warrant. Arresting officers were Steven Draghetti and Eric Lottemoser.

On November 25th, **Juan M. Oquendo**, Montgomery Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officer was Richard Curry.

On November 25th, **Robert Bronton**, 152 School Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with leaving the scene of a property damage accident, operating without a license, and driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Walter Letellier and Steven Draghetti.

## FIRE-WISE - by Fire Chief Rusty Jenks Winter Heating Can Be Hazardous To You!

Winter days and nights can be cold. The sky is dark and dreary, and the wind howls. It's hard to keep your home warm and cozy. So many Americans have turned to portable heaters of various kinds to supplement their home heating systems.

Sometimes they have portable heaters because their home heating system is not very efficient. Sometimes it's to save money on regular heating fuel. Sometimes, at ski cabins or other get-away spots, there is no permanent heating system. In any case, many homes use portable space heaters in winter.

But the Agawam Fire Department wants you to know that portable heaters have caused many tragic fires—even deaths—in recent years as more and more Americans have begun to use them. So if you're going to use supplemental heating, use it wisely.

### Kerosene Nightmares

The largest number of heating-related fires have been caused by kerosene heaters. In most cases the fault was with misuse or abuse of the heater rather than with the device itself. So heed this advice:

Purchase only a "new design" heater carrying the UL label. This label means it has been tested for safety. Be sure it has an automatic safety switch to shut it off if it's tipped over.

In addition, see that it's not top-heavy to tip too easily. An automatic starter eliminates the need for matches and makes for safer starts. A fuel gauge will help ensure you do not overfill the heater dangerously. A safety grill on the front can prevent accidental contact burns.

Follow the manufacturer's instructions for assembly. Use only crystal-clear 1K kerosene, never a yellow or contaminated kerosene or any other fuel. Fill it only

outside. Store kerosene in a metal container with a tight-fitting lid that is clearly marked for kerosene only. Keep no more than five gallons available at one time. And keep it outside your home in a garage or storage shed.

When using a kerosene heater, be sure the room is well ventilated. Opening a door to an adjoining room or area may be enough. Better yet, open a window in the room slightly.

Improper use of kerosene heaters has caused so many tragedies in recent years that some states—most recently Massachusetts—are banning their use outright. Don't be one of the careless ones.

### Electric Heaters

Like kerosene heaters, electric heaters also should have automatic safety switches to turn them off if tipped over. They also should carry the UL approval label.

Be sure to check cords before plugging in the heater. If frayed, worn or broken, do not use. Either replace the heater or have an electrician replace the cord. Just putting tape on the cord is not enough to prevent overheating and fire. Never use an extension cord with a portable heater.

If you absolutely cannot avoid it, use only special, heavy-duty cords that can handle the job. Ask your electrician or at your hardware store. Trying to supply a heater with a small, ordinary household extension cord will cause the cord to overheat and burn.

Keep electric heaters away from sinks, tubs, showers, and other watery places to avoid deadly electric shocks. If you need one in the bathroom, keep it well away from water, towels, shower curtains and other hazards.

## Republican Town Committee Sets Meeting December 3rd

There will be a meeting of the Agawam Republican Town Committee on Saturday, December 3rd, at Oak Ridge Country Club at 8:30 a.m. All registered Republican and Independent voters are invited to attend.

The topic of this meeting will be the results of the November election and its impact on the Town of Agawam.

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## Agawam Obituaries

### Andrew C. Gallano Was Former Council President

Andrew C. Gallano, 73, of 891 Main Street, Agawam, former president of the Agawam Town Council, died Sunday, November 20th, in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield.

Gallano was active in Agawam politics for more than 40 years, and held state offices for 20 years.

He served on the town's Finance Committee from 1947 to 1953, and was town moderator from 1953 to 1954. From 1954 to 1956, he served on the Board of Selectman, and was chairman from 1955 to 1956.

He also served as chairman of the Agawam Democratic Town Committee from 1956 to 1958, and was on the Draft Board for the Korean War from 1950 to 1955.

Gallano served as the director of veterans' services in the Western Hampden District from 1957 to 1963, and was chairman of the Charter Revision Commission from 1970 to 1971 and again in 1978. He served on the Town Council from 1980 to 1987.

Gallano also served as president of the Western Massachusetts Service Officers Association from 1960 to 1961. He had been a deputy commissioner in the Executive Office of Administration and Finance from 1965 to 1966, and was an assistant to the director of the Youth Services Division.

He had also been a community coordinator for the Commission on Aging and Aging Bureau from 1966 to 1971, and was the Western Massachusetts representative for the Department of Elder Affairs from 1971 to 1980.

Born in Fitchburg, Gallano had lived in Agawam most of his life. He attended local schools and the Springfield Museum Art School.

Gallano currently owned two town art galleries, the Studio Gallery on Main Street and the Studio Gallery on Silver Street.

He was the former owner and operator of Agawam Hardware Company, and with his brother, David of Agawam, owned and operated the Western Massachusetts franchise of Tastee-Freeze Soft Ice Cream.

He was an Army veteran of World War II, and served in the European, African, and Middle Eastern theaters.

He was a communicant of St. Anthony's Church and a member of its Holy Name Society. He was also a member and past commander of American Legion Post 185.

He was a charter member of the Agawam Rotary Club, and a member of the Agawam Chamber of Commerce, and the Disabled American Veterans.

Besides his brother, he leaves his wife, the former Gertrude McCoy; a daughter, Andrea G. Gallano of Dalton; two sisters, Eva S. Thomas of Reno, Nevada, and Virginia Gallano of Seattle, Washington, and two grandsons.

The funeral was at Colonial Funeral Home and in St. Anthony's Church, with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the church at 103 Bridge Street, Agawam, MA, 01001.



**FORMER AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL President Andrew C. Gallano was active in town politics for more than 40 years.**

#### Edward A. Misisco

Edward A. Misisco, 51, of 56 Sequoia Drive, Feeding Hills, a 14-year employee in the quality control department of Jet Tool, Inc., Agawam, died at home.

Born in Springfield, he graduated from the former Springfield Technical High School and was a member of the Marine Reserves. He was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church, a member of the American Association of Retired Persons, and a life member of the American Rifle Association.

He leaves his wife, the former Alice Middlebrook; a son, David J. of Madison, Wisconsin; two daughters, Christine M. Krocowski of Westfield, and Patricia A. Misisco of Chicopee; two stepdaughters, Alice Stratton of Springfield, and Susan Wiedeman of Riverton, Wyoming; his father, Salvatore Misisco of Springfield; a brother, Alfred G. of Springfield; a sister, Louise Turkey of Springfield, and six grandchildren.

The funeral was at Curran-Jones Agawam Funeral Home and in the church with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery.

#### Eileen E. Converse

Eileen E. "Bunny" (Eletto) Converse, 43, of 27 Merrell Drive, Agawam, a registered nurse at Baystate Medical Center, died Thursday, November 24th, in Mercy Hospital, Springfield. She had also been a nurse at Fish Memorial Hospital in New Smyrna Beach, Florida.

Born in Los Angeles, California, she attended Orlando, Florida, schools, moving to Agawam in 1975. She graduated in 1971 from Daytona Beach Community College with a degree in nursing. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

She leaves her husband, Gary Converse; her parents, Vincent and Genevieve (Gaipa) Eletto of Chicopee; three sons, Ronald C. Geida, and Ryan and Jacob Hogan; a stepson, Jeff Converse; a daughter, Jade Hogan, all of Agawam, and a brother, Joseph Eletto, of Chicago.

The funeral was in the church with burial in Hillcrest Park Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Missionary Fund of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Springfield, 2nd Ward.

#### Margaret McCroary

Margaret (Miller) McCroary, 88, of 61 Cooper Street, Agawam, a self-employed musician and leader of the former Margaret Miller Orchestra, died in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield.

The orchestra performed throughout New York State and Western Massachusetts. She was also a piano teacher in the North Adams area, and retired in 1973.

Born in North Adams, she was graduated from the New York Conservatory of Music, and studied under Leopold Godosky. She moved to Agawam in 1974.

Her first husband, Frank "Ace" Blanchard, died in 1958, and her second husband, Leo McCroary, died in 1968.

She leaves a daughter, Mary Patricia Liquori of Agawam; a brother, William of Williamstown; a sister, Louise Begieging of Florida; three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held in Southview Cemetery, North Adams. Memorial contributions may be made to Research for the Prevention of Blindness, 598 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, 10022.

### Municipal Events

#### GRAND NATIONAL AUTO

Monday, December 5th  
Town Council Meeting  
Agawam Public Library  
8:00 P.M.

Tuesday, December 6th  
Student Assistant Program  
Drugs-Alcohol Discussion  
Agawam High School  
7:30 P.M.

Tuesday, December 13th  
Liquor Licensing Commission  
Police Station  
7:00 P.M.

Thursday, December 15th  
Board of Health  
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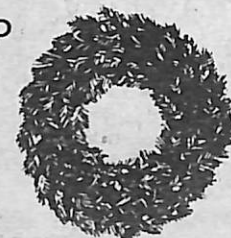
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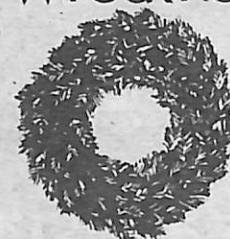
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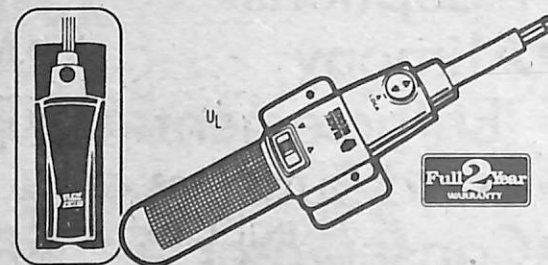
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## Hampden County Chapter MADD Sets Candlelight Vigil

The Hampden County Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving will conduct a Candlelight Vigil, Sunday, December 11th, at 6:00 p.m., at the Springfield City Hall (outside). The purpose of the vigil, according to Adele Ferreira, MADD Chapter president, is to provide a setting in which family and friends may remember, in a special way, their loved ones who have been killed by drunk drivers. Everyone is invited to attend and support the victims' families. Many city and state dignitaries have been invited as well as the friends and relatives of victims of drunk drivers.

Memorial candlelighting will take place as victims' names are read.

The Candlelight Vigil also begins a period of "hope for a less violent future" for MADD as they sponsor other programs and projects during December to prevent holiday drunk driving crashes. Among them is the "Red Ribbon Campaign" in which citizens are encouraged to tie a red ribbon to their left car door handle as a sign to America that they hope for a safe holiday season and a stop to drunk driving.

MADD hopes that every citizen of Hampden County will join in the holiday programs. The Candlelight Vigil is a great way to say "I care" to victims.

For additional information, please contact MADD, 592-9953.

## IRS Says It's Time To Forecast Tax Liability

It's time for forecasting your tax liability. With only 30 days left in this calendar year, it's time for you to check your total tax due and compare it with your total expected payments.

"If you know your 1988 tax liability and find that you have been underpaying taxes, you should increase your tax withholding," said District Director Gerard R. Esposito.

To avoid underpayment penalties, 90 percent of 1988's tax or 100 percent of 1987's must be paid by January 15th. "If you have income earned by working, you can increase your withholding by completing a new W-4 with your employer. If you are self-employed, or have only unearned income, such as interest and dividends, you probably should have been making estimated tax payments," said Esposito.

This last installment should be paid by using declaration voucher 4 found in the Form 1040-E5 package, "Declaration of Estimated Tax for Individuals."

Taxpayers should be aware there is a penalty for underpayment or late payment of estimated taxes.

For more detailed information, IRS Publication 505, "Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax," is available by calling toll-free 1-800-424-Form.

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In the event you wish to reach a residential address over a weekend or on a holiday, you should use this service. A Special Delivery letter addressed to a residence, which is received at a post office on Saturday afternoon, gains two days on an ordinary first-

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The Agawam Board of Health will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, December 15, 1988, at 7:00 P.M. in the 1st floor conference room, Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to address the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter 111, Section 150A, dealing with the Board of Health's authority to recind, suspend or modify through the imposition or amendment of conditions the site assignment for the sanitary landfill for the Resource Recovery Facility operated by the City of Springfield.

Testimony may be presented for or against the adoption of any conditions by the Board of Health based upon a determination that the operation or maintenance of said landfill results in a threat to the public health and safety of the environment.

**BY ORDER OF THE AGAWAM BOARD OF HEALTH**  
William Euliano, Chairman

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## AGAWAM Crime Prevention Self Esteem

by Officer Wayne Macey  
Crime Prevention Bureau

Project D.A.R.E. defines self-esteem as "a favorable way a person feels about himself or herself." Lesson number six in the curriculum is completely dedicated to self-esteem and demonstrates how the lack of it is one of the main reasons young people become involved with drugs.

On the other hand it also explains that people who have a great deal of self-esteem feel good about themselves; know they can do things well; can accept that there are some things they may not do as well as others; get along with other people and hope others will get along with them; feel comfortable being part of a group; do something to solve their problems as they arise; accept responsibilities; and are able to think for themselves and make their own decisions.

During the lesson a story is told involving Bill and his activities through the day. A balloon is also employed to visually demonstrate when Bill feels bad and when he feels good.

As good things happen throughout the day, the balloon is inflated to show high self-esteem. Negative experiences are shown as low self-esteem with the balloon being deflated. The lesson shows that while other people are an important part of the process, high self-esteem comes from within. We do not have to rely on other people to blow up our balloon. We are in control, and can make things happen. Through realistic self-praise and recognition of achievement, we can increase our self-esteem.

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Towards the end of the lesson, the kids open their notebooks and take out a page entitled compliments. They put their names at the top and pass them forward to me. The papers are then passed to a different student; no one to receive his or her own. The kids then write down one or more compliments about the person whose name appears at the top of the page.

When the papers are passed back to their owners, each student gets to read the compliments paid them. As evidenced by the smiles, many have not experienced much of this in the past. The exercise demonstrates that we can feel good about ourselves by both giving and receiving compliments. In a world filled with "put downs" and negativism, lesson six is a refreshing

change as well as an eye opening experience.

We are constantly reminded that we are losing the war against drugs. The "Drug Problem" is second in importance only to the federal budget deficit.

I think it is important to understand that it is not so much a "drug problem" as it is a "people problem."

Drugs don't jump into our hands on their own. They don't force their way into our bodies against our will.

The real problem is the basic desire to use drugs in order to accomplish change and facilitate high self-esteem. Drugs are a means of compensation for all that we lack as individuals, and are unable to accomplish on our own. The solution to the "People Problem" will ultimately be accomplished when we as individuals learn self-esteem through self-improvement.

## Perry Lane Kids Hear About Safety



POLICE SAFETY OFFICER AL LONGHI recently appeared at Perry Lane Nursery School at Perry Lane Park to discuss office, school, and home safety with the children. Nursery school students pictured with Sergeant Longhi are Michael Ruscio, Christopher Polek, Joanna Graveline, and Christina Bruso. Advertiser News photo

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## Agawam Juniors To Sponsor Mrs. Santa Visit December 3rd

The Agawam Public Library will be having a special visitor on Saturday, December 3rd. Mrs. Santa will be visiting with children in the Conference Room from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Pictures with Mrs. Santa will be available for a small fee. This special visit is sponsored by the Agawam Junior Women's Club.

## Lisa Grundstrom Bride Of Richard Amellin Of F.H.

Miss Lisa Grundstrom, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Grundstrom of South Monson Road, Hampden, was married to Richard Amellin, son of Mr. & Mrs. Francis Amellin of Columbia Drive, Feeding Hills, Saturday, November 12th, in St. Patrick's Church, Springfield.

Reverend David J. Joyce performed the marriage ceremony. Assisting in the Concelebrated Nuptial Mass were Reverend Eugene Suszek and Reverend Camillo Santini. Also assisting was Reverend Mr. Donald Moore, deacon.

Miss Diane Casey, cousin of the bride, was maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Miss Dena Grundstrom, sister of the bride; Miss Theresa Amellin and Miss Laura Amellin, sisters of the groom; Miss Colleen Daley, and Miss April Berube. Flower girl was Jillian Caron, cousin of the bride.

Serving as best man was Gary Courtney. Ushers were Brian Cummings, cousin of the bride; Michael Martin, cousin of the groom; Peter Alberici, John A. Bryant, and Stuart Stork.

Upon returning from a trip to Florida and the Bahamas, the couple will reside in Springfield.

## Lisa M. Asta-Ferrero Weds Bryan M. Ryan Of F.H.

St. Theresa's Church, Bridge Street, Agawam, was the setting for the Saturday, October 29th, wedding of Lisa M. Asta-Ferrero and Bryan M. Ryan.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Duane Asta-Ferrero of Agawam, and the groom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Ryan of Feeding Hills.

Maid of honor was Robin Asta-Ferrero, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Joanne Ryan and Caron LaCour.

Best man was Kevin Ryan, brother of the groom. Ushers were Timothy Ryan and Gino Comforte.

The couple took a honeymoon trip to the Hawaiian Islands, and now reside in West Springfield.



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## Barbara Ann Avery Bride Of Luis P. Larriu

Westfield Assembly of God was the setting for the October 8th wedding of Miss Barbara Ann Avery and Luis P. Larriu. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Kenneth Olson.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Paul E. Avery of 20 Robin Lane, Feeding Hills.

The groom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Pastor Arce of 6 Bates Street, Westfield.

Matron of honors were Marisol Serrano, sister of the groom, and Ann Marie Avery, sister of the bride.

Best men were Angel Serrano, brother-in-law of the groom, and Paul Olson, friend of the groom.

Bridesmaids included Andrea LaFleur and Marie McDonald, friends of the bride.

Ushers were Paul E. Avery, Jr., brother of the bride, and Jim Belair, friend of the groom.

The reception followed the ceremony at Tekoa Country Club, Westfield.

The bride graduated from Agawam High School and LaBaron Hair Dressing School.

The groom graduated from Westfield Vocational School, and is now attending Technical Career Institute.

The couple is residing in Westfield after a honeymoon trip to the Poconos.



MRS. DAVID G. BEDARD  
nee Ellen Joy Smith

## Agawam Garden Club Sets Craft Sale & Holiday Display

The Agawam Garden Club will hold a Nature Craft Sale and Display for Holiday Decorating on Saturday, December 3rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in the Pine Room of the Captain Charles Leonard House, 663 Main Street, Agawam. Members will be demonstrating the making of evergreen wreaths, bows, easy greens arrangements and a boxwood table tree.

Other tables will display items made from natural materials loaned by members. A selected number of wreaths, bows, pots of narcissus, bird feeders, as well as materials used for decorating such as cones, milkweed, berries, etc., will be available for purchase.

Another feature will be a Christmas cookie table. The public is invited free of charge to come for decorating ideas.

In case of severe ice or snowstorm, the event will be held on Sunday, December 4th, from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m., at the Captain Leonard House.

## Ellen Joy Smith Weds David Gerald Bedard

Miss Ellen Joy Smith of Agawam became the bride of David Gerald Bedard of Shrewsbury, Saturday, November 12th, at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Maple Street, Agawam.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. E. Ritchie Smith of Lexington Street, Agawam, and the groom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Bedard of Bumblebee Circle, Shrewsbury.

Robin Sharpe was maid of honor and Richard Anderson was best man. Both were college classmates of the couple.

Bridesmaids were Joy and Lynn Murphy, cousins of the bride; Lynda Bedard, sister of the groom; and Barbara Walsh.

Ushers were David and Scott Smith, brothers of the bride; Stephen Bedard, cousin of the groom; and Paul Wigglesworth. Timothy Jenks was ringbearer.

The bride graduated from Agawam High School and Nichols College. She is a personnel consultant at Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company, Enfield, Connecticut.

The bridegroom graduated from Shrewsbury High School and Nichols College. He is employed as an accountant for Coopers & Lybrand, Hartford, Connecticut.

Following a reception at the Carriage House, Storowton Village, West Springfield, the couple left for a honeymoon in St. Thomas.

## F.H. Women's Club Sets Meeting December 7th

The Feeding Hills Women's Club will give a gift to the Open Pantry instead of exchanging gifts.

The meeting on Wednesday, December 7th, at 8:00 p.m., will be held at the Grange Hall on North West Street.

Seth Kellogg will give a talk on Birds—their care, feeding, and migration.

Hostesses for the meeting are Mary Ladner, Peg LaFontaine, Marjorie Taylor, and Bertha Kane.

A special feature, The Mitten Tree, is always loaded with mittens made by members. Thelma Horenstein, our Sunshine person, will distribute them.

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## Heritage Hall Campus News, Notes, Activities

### RESIDENT OF THE WEEK

#### Edgar Giguere

Edgar Giguere was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, on September 7th, 1921. He lived in the Worcester area for many years with his mother, Sonia; his father, Arthur; and his brother, Raymond.

He attended Greendale Grammar school and graduated from Worcester Boys' Trade School in 1941.

He had many hobbies, including tennis, golf, and horseback riding. He also enjoyed wrestling, stock car races, and baseball. Edgar worked at the Heald Machine Company.

During the summer, he would visit his aunt in Chicopee, and it was in that town that he met his future wife. They were married in June 1944.

Retiring in 1983, Edgar has had time to enjoy his three children, Charles, Judith, and James. He has also been blessed with eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

We are proud to have Edgar as a member of our family at Heritage Hall.

### EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

#### Ginny Bottesini

Ginny Bottesini has been chosen as "Employee of the Month" for October. She has been employed by Heritage Hall since September 1976.

Ginny held the position of nurse's aide in the West Building until August 1981 when she transferred to the Housekeeping Department in North Building.

Ginny is dependable and has a comprehensive knowledge of her position. She has an excellent relationship with residents, family members, and fellow staff members.

Congratulations Ginny as "Employee of the Month."

#### Bell Ringers!

On Thursday, November 10th, Heritage Hall residents enjoyed an afternoon of fun and delight with the Agawam Baptist Church Bell Ringers. The group consisted of about 15 members under the supervision of director, Everett Hodge.

Hodge gave a narration and history prior to each song and encouraged the audience to hum or sing along with the bells. Some of the songs included "How Great Thou Art," "America the Beautiful," and "I'll See You In My Dreams."

Heritage residents really enjoyed the Bell Ringers performance, and hope they will return soon for another visit.

#### Flag Raising

It is a wonderful thing to think of God's compassion, reaching out to the "Latch Key" children of this day and age. The program enables their parents to work, worry free, knowing that their children are safe at Heritage Hall Nursing Home.

The program, put together by Judes Ziemba and the Activity Departments at Heritage Hall, has touched President Reagan's heart. One day last month, Mrs. Ziemba went to Washington, D.C., to receive a beautiful flag from the President himself.

The nursing home was honored for their On Site Education Programs. The President presented Mrs. Ziemba with a special flag. The flag logo is "We Can, We Care," and there is a big "C" in the middle. The flag ceremony was held at Heritage Hall South.

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## Agawam High Class Of '73 Holds 15th Reunion

Agawam High School Class of 1973 held its 15th year Class Reunion, Friday, November 18th, with a terrific response.

The event was held at Storowton Carriage House with over 200 attending. Much of the 70's tunes kept the dance floor hopping all night.

A poll was taken to see how many offspring this class of 340 has had. There were four sets of twins, one set of triplets, and 108 children from the people in attendance.

Having elapsed 15 years, the yearbook-pictured name tags were appreciated by classmates. A conversation piece of a large collage of high school memories covering the Kid Party, Senior Banquet, and social affairs was enjoyed by all.

This was a very "party-hearty" fun-filled class and the night was an enjoyable reminiscing one for all. Many people commented that the night went by too fast.

Anyone interested in planning a post reunion party, please contact one of the committee members.

## Manlio Monachesi Feted On 90th Birthday

On Sunday, November 20th, a party was given for Manlio (Mario) Monachesi on his 90th birthday by his two daughters, Wanda Cabral of Agawam, and Alma Fox of West Springfield.

Mario was a barber in West Springfield for 60 years and came to this country in 1923. He was born in Macerata Marche, Italy, in 1898. He served in the Italian Army in World War I, and received a gold medal and was discharged in 1918.

He arrived in West Springfield in 1925 where he met and married the former Henrietta Camp. They had three children, Wanda, Alma, and Gino (deceased), six grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. He has lived with his daughter, Wanda, for the past six years on North Street, Agawam.

If you are ever in Friendly's Ice Cream in Agawam about 8:00 p.m., you will see this gentleman at the counter with a cup of coffee and all his friends. It's nice to be remembered.



**MANLIO MONACHESI** was honored on his 90th birthday by friends and family members on November 20th.

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## Congo's Thermal Blankets Help



STACKED UNDER THIS MITTEN TREE at the Agawam Congregational Church are 10 thermal blankets purchased through the redemption of S&H Green Stamps. Marion Pond, above, collects these stamps from various people and distributes these blankets to local charities. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Agawam Cinema Helps Needy



THE AGAWAM CINEMA collected 250 cans and boxes for the needy at its November 23rd matinee. All proceeds went to the West Springfield Open Pantry. Pictured, from left - Walter Gonet, Ruth Zucco, and John Sullivan. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Nocturnal Adoration Society Slates Meeting December 4th

The Nocturnal Adoration Society of Agawam and West Springfield will meet in St. Theresa of Infant Jesus Church, Agawam, to conduct and pray the Office of The Blessed Sacrament, Friday, December 4th, from 9:00 p.m. through Saturday morning at 6:00 a.m., December 5th.

Father Albert E. Breton, moderator, opens the event with Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament.

Members recite both evening and morning prayers, in private and public, closing with Benediction at 6:00 a.m.

Assisting Father Breton are Alfred J. Racicot, chairman of St. Theresa's membership, and Thomas P. Murray, the group's leader.

Membership is open to all Catholic men, women, boys, and girls.

Prospective members may contact Father Breton, Alfred Racicot, Louis Gallerani, president, and all pastors and members.

The all-night vigil is open to all who wish to participate and spend an hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed.

### Community Grange Slates Speaker Joan Comee Dec. 6

Community Grange will meet Tuesday, December 6th, at the Grange home on North West Street, Feeding Hills, at 7:30 p.m.

The speaker will be Joan Comee who will speak about R.E.G.A.P. This is about greyhound racing dogs who have been retired from racing. They are trying to get homes for these dogs and it is said they make wonderful pets for a family. Mrs. Comee will bring her dog with her to the meeting.

Refreshments and social hour will follow the meeting.

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## Agawam Soldier In New Brunswick



SPEC. SCOTT STEWART of Agawam (right) helps Sergeants James Slater of Dalton and Sergeant Joe McIver of Springfield perform preventative maintenance on a jeep at their camp at Canadian Forces Base, New Brunswick, Canada. All are members of Headquarters and headquarters company, Yankee Infantry Division.

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## Laughing Brook Announces December Adult Programs

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**Winter Birds Of Cape Ann**, Saturday, December 10th, from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. This annual event, co-sponsored with the Allen Bird Club, is an excellent opportunity to see winter sea birds from a variety of shore-based sites on Massachusetts' North Shore. Some of the best birders in the valley will be on hand to help identify eiders, mergansers, buffleheads, and gulls. Fees for the program are \$18 for Massachusetts Audubon or Allen Bird Club members, and \$22 for non-members.

For more information, call Laughing Brook, 566-8034.

## Agawam UNICO To Sponsor Annual Christmas Party

Agawam Chapter of UNICO will sponsor their Annual Christmas Party, Wednesday, December 14th, at the Italian Sporting Club, Cooper Street, Agawam.

All members, their families, and friends are invited to attend.

Dinner, buffet style will be served promptly at 7:00 p.m. The menu will include roast beef, baked chicken, cold cuts, ziti and meatballs, tossed salad, green beans, pickles. Coffee and dessert will also be served. There will be wine, fruit, and roasted chestnuts at every table.

Professional entertainment will be furnished by Alex Axiotis. For reservations, call Chairman Frank Paradiso, 789-0579, or Co-Chairman Lou Scherpa 786-0203.

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Agawam Garden Club  
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10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 3rd  
Mrs. Santa's Visit to  
Agawam Public Library  
Junior Women's Club  
1:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 6th  
Community Grange Meeting  
North West Street, F.H.  
7:30 p.m.

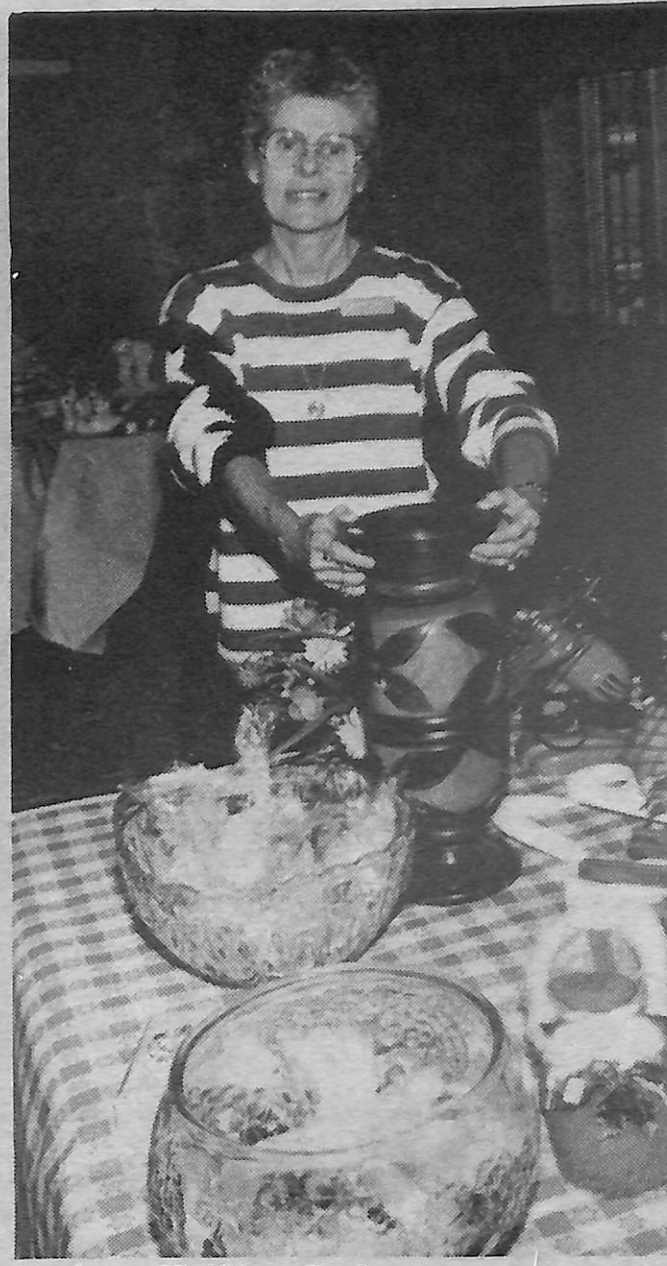
Wednesday, December 7th  
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## Holiday Craft Fair Held At Heritage Hall



HERITAGE HALL NURSING HOME on Cooper Street held a day-long Holiday Craft Fair at several of its buildings last week. In photo left, Anne Campbell proudly displays a silk flower arrangement; in middle photo, Alice Dubour and Kathy Sullivan are holding handmade dolls; and photo right, Margaret Cantina shows-off a vase at the tag table in the North Building. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

JACK DEVINE needs at least 48 hours notice for a photo. He is extremely busy during the Christmas season so we again ask our readers to please extend Jack this courtesy or he may not attend.

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REBECCA L. JONES

### Rebecca L. Jones Wins Award In LaFemmina Pageant

Rebecca Lynn Jones of North Street, Feeding Hills, won the award of "Most Photogenic" first runner-up in the preliminary 1988-1989 LaFemmina Model Search pageant held at the Comfort Inn, Sunday, November 20th.

As a finalist, she will go on to compete in the Regional Model Search 1989 to be held in Framingham in March 1989.

Becky is a seventh grade student at Agawam Junior High School, and is the daughter of Richard & Beverly Jones.

## Storowton Village Director To Retire

June H. Cook, director of Storowton Village Museum in West Springfield, has announced her retirement which will take effect February, 1989.

Mrs. Cook started her career at the Eastern States Exposition in 1975 as director of programs and operations in the 19th century reconstructed village located on the grounds of the Exposition and has guided the village through many changes during her tenure. Prior to her appointment, the village facility was not open on a year-round basis as it is today, and was operated primarily during summer months and during the September fair.

Under Mrs. Cook's direction, the village has grown not only to a year-round attraction but also to one which provides special educational experiences for all ages.

Among the programs Mrs. Cook is most proud of are the Living History programs, Herbal Luncheons, the Wine Garden, and a diverse grouping of historic topics for public speaking activities.

The Living History program started in 1975 as an educational program for grades two to six and served 260 area children. It is designed to teach children, through role playing, what the 19th century child's life was like. In 1988 the program networked with school systems throughout the Western New England area, and drew 2,900 children from as far away as mid-New York.

Herbal Luncheons began in 1976 as a method of

educating adults in the use of herbs, old-time spices, foods, recipes, and lifestyles of 19th century Americans. Operated initially as a thank-you event for village volunteers, the luncheons soon grew to include the general public, taking place four times a year and celebrating the four seasons of New England. From these have also grown the Winter Holiday Festival as well as the July Fourth Celebration, focusing on programs of interest for entire family groups.

The Wine Garden started in 1979 during the Annual Big E to utilize the attractive village background to promote New England agricultural products while educating people on how early New Englanders used wine in their lives. Today, the Wine Garden is a popular fair attraction featuring a variety of New England produced wines and foods served in a relaxed 19th century setting.

Mrs. Cook has also served as a popular area speaker. Her most requested topics have been "Holiday Spirit in 19th century New England," "New England Courting Customs," and "Herbal Gift Giving: Crafts and Foods."

A resident of West Springfield, Mrs. Cook was an 11-year administrator of the Museum of Fine Arts in Springfield, prior to joining the Exposition staff. She looks forward to an active retirement shared with husband, Taylor Cook, a retired teacher and science coordinator in the West Springfield School system.

**DEADLINE:** Please remember that our deadline is on Tuesday at noontime. We ask that you please publicize your events at least one week in advance. If we can be of any help, call us at 786-7747 or 786-8137.



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## 20-Year Reunion Held By AHS Class Of 1968



THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL CLASS Of 1968 held its 20-year reunion on Friday night, November 25th. In the MIDDLE PHOTO, pictured are those classmates who traveled the furthest to attend, including Donald Luginbuhl, Dorothy Hull, Roniee Parker, Greg Orr, Naomi Karochinski, Bob Reynolds, Cecile Roy, Linda Gay, and Debra Dragon. IN PHOTO BELOW, pictured are members of the Reunion Committee, from left - Bob DeFilipi, Debbie Lutkins Reen, Janice Borgatti DeFilipi, Wayne Macey, Dianne Cushing, Tony Malone, Susan Tucker DelNickas, Mark Maniscalchi, and Deena Piccin Maniscalchi. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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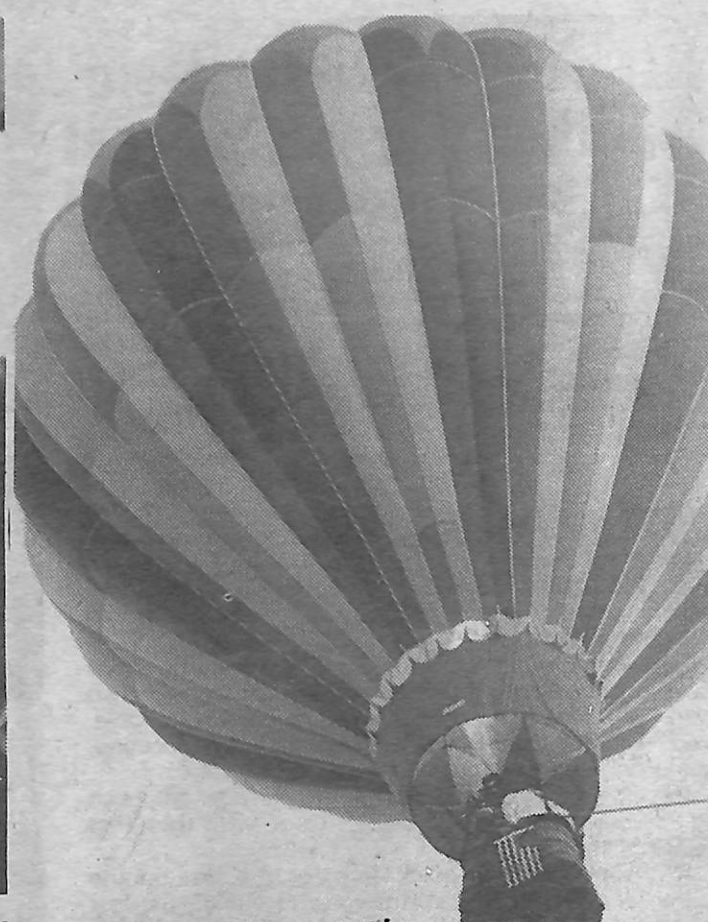




# Longmeadow Balloonist Delights Agawam Crowd



**LONGMEADOW BALLOONIST MIKE WALLACE** landed his eight-story hot air balloon on Hampden County property off River Road last Saturday. Calm wind conditions made it a perfect day for Wallace to offer a gathering of Agawam residents a ride. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**UP, UP, AND AWAY** - Longmeadow balloonist Mike Wallace pictured hovering over River Road last Saturday. Wallace owns four hot air balloons. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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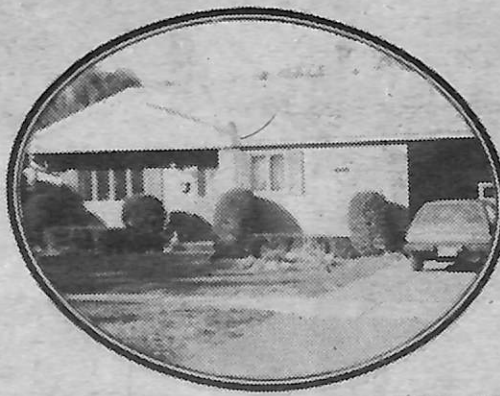
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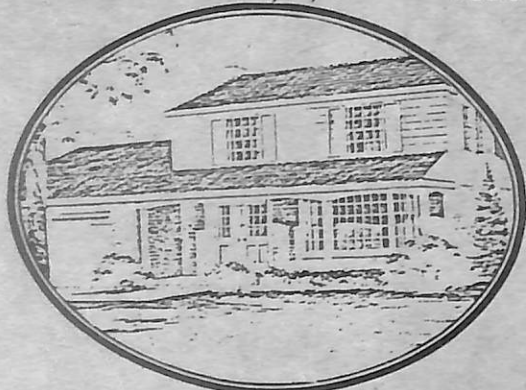
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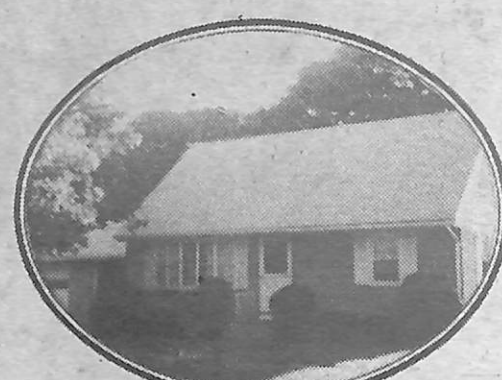
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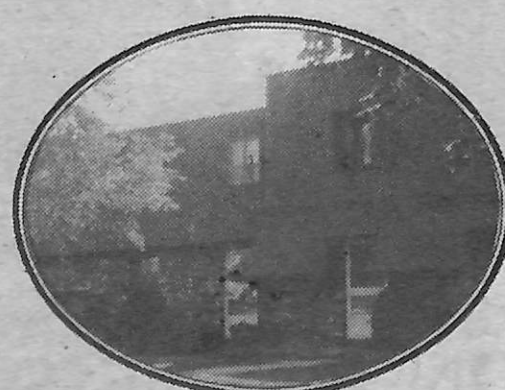
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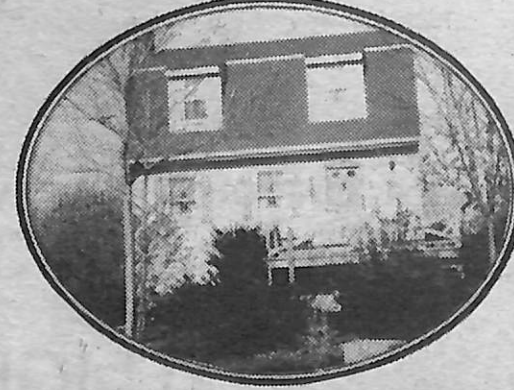
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## Spotlight On Business...

### Riverview Variety-Deli Another Corner Market That's Doing Very Well

by Christine Piesyk  
Advertiser News Staff

It's a small store with a little bit of everything. Conveniently located in a residential area on River Road, Agawam, the **Riverview Variety and Deli** reopened four months ago under the management of James T. Jerome and Dennis Matt.

Apart from the staple items of bread and milk, canned or dry goods, **Riverview** offers a selection of deli meats, grinders, and sandwiches (made to order), and a variety of soups to take away the chill of winter. It's beef stew on Mondays, clam chowder on Fridays, and everything from chicken noodle to vegetable soup on the days in between.

Further tempting the hungry are steaming hot dogs (two for a buck), and plump, juicy kielbasa dogs (two for \$1.49). Side orders of deli salads are also available. Microwavable Chef-Boyardee items including lasagna, beefaroni, and ravioli are also available.

Morning commuters and early-risers can get fresh donuts and homemade brownies to go with their first coffee of the day.

**Riverview** offers a quick stop for the last minute gallon of milk, the cigarettes you ran out of, the last minute "lucky numbers" you forgot to play in the lottery, and all kinds of "eleventh hour" purchases.

The rows of stock items include canned goods, pastas, breads, paper products, shoe laces, stationery—a bit of everything. Daily newspapers and tabloids are also available (including *The Advertiser News*).

**Riverview Variety and Deli** has ample off-street parking, and accepts phone orders for luncheon and grinder specials. They are open seven days a week, 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., with limited deli hours from 9:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Their phone number is 789-4077.



**RIVERVIEW VARIETY & DELI** is located on River Road, Agawam, near the traffic lights on River Road and Main Street. The store reopened four months ago under the management of James T. Jerome and Dennis Matt. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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**STOCKING ONE OF HIS SHELVES** is co-owner and operator, Dennis Matt, of Riverview Variety and Deli.

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**EMPLOYEE CINDY BRUSO** says you can play the entire Massachusetts State Lottery at Riverview Variety & Deli. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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*Spotlight On Business - continued.....***Christmas Open House Held At Surprise! Card & Gift**

THE PROUD OWNERS OF SURPRISE! CARD & GIFT SHOPPE are Barbara & Bob McElligott of Westfield. The couple recently held a holiday open house at the store, which is located at the Southgate Shopping Plaza, Suffield Street. The store features many interesting and unique gifts for Christmas, as well as a huge display of Christmas cards. Don't miss stopping at this store. You will be delighted. It's located right next door to Big Y Supermarket. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



CLAIRE GRIGLIO (right) told Surprise! employee Maria Burrows - "This is my favorite store." Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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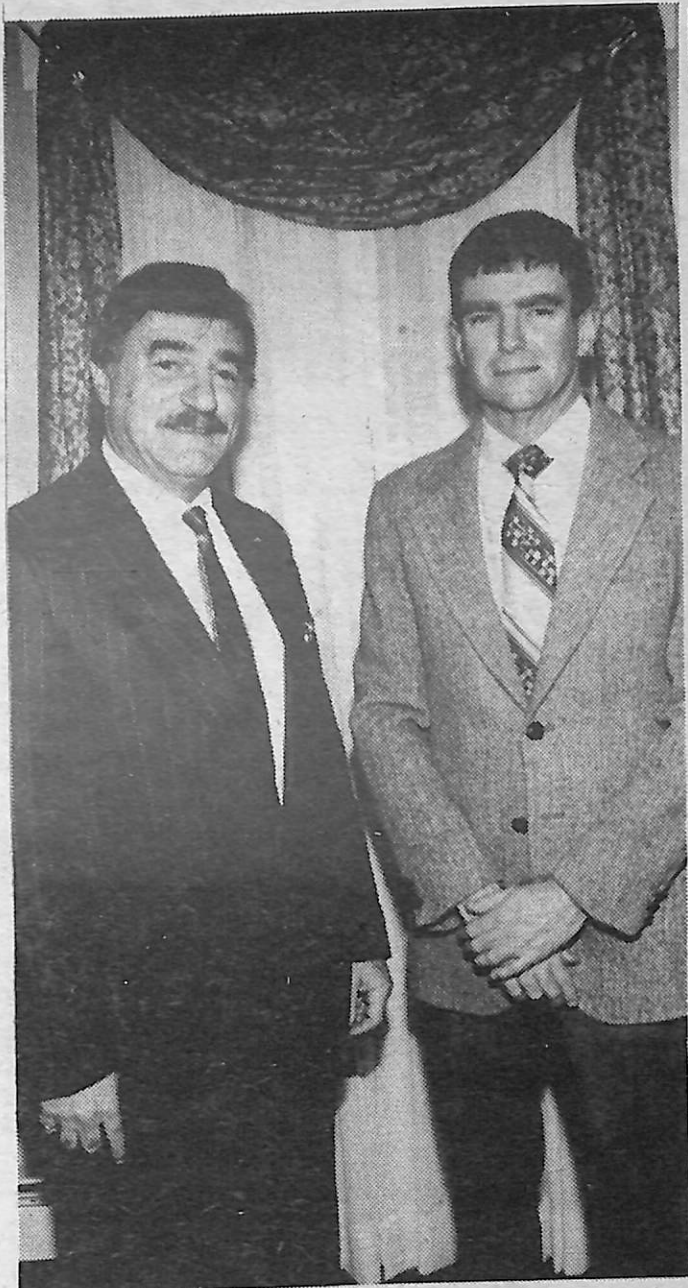


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RICHARD PISANO (left) serves as executive director of the Agawam Federal Credit Union and Dennis Moran serves as chairman of the board. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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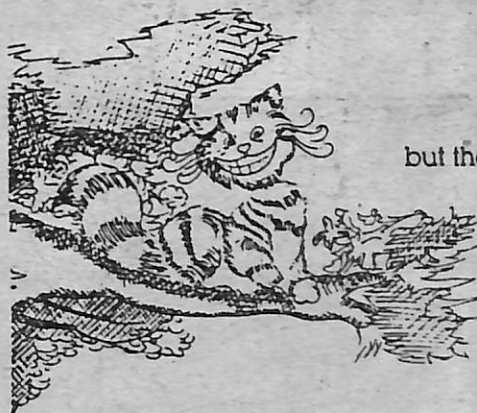


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## Old Agawam Gin Once Flourished

### Agawam Gin Is Known Throughout The Nation

Without a doubt, the story of the Porter family has been long overdue, especially as it pertains to a variety of business enterprises in Agawam dating back to the late 1700's. However, better late than never in this oversight!

It seems almost ironic that when we first received a call from Leon Delaney of 71 Druids Lane, West Springfield, we were not at all surprised to learn that his father, Martin F. Delaney, had been instrumental in making the Porter Gin Company well-known across the country.

After all, town historian Edith LaFrancis has paid due homage to both the manufactory and Martin Delaney in a well-written excerpt in her town history.

Of course, the Porter name was not too unfamiliar to present day residents, and at least some structures relative to that family remain standing to this very day.

What was more of a surprise during our research was the limited treatment given the Porter Gin Company in Everts' History of this area. In effect, we might have thought that the esteemed historian might have devoted a little more space to this nationally famous establishment than he did, yet be that what it may, Everts had his reasons.

As a matter of clarification, we have included Everts' brief statement: *"THE AGAWAM DISTILLERY, located in the south part of the town, was established in 1801, by E. Porter. At first it was used for distilling peppermint; afterward for manufacturing whiskey from potatoes. It is now used for manufacturing gin and malt from rye and corn, and has a capacity of 312 gallons of gin per day. It is conducted by Harvey Porter and Albert Adams, under the firm name of H. Porter & Co."*

Considering the extent to which the Porter (Agawam) gin was most popular across our nation, and being of local manufacture, one might assume that Everts would have given a bit more history on the subject.

#### In The Beginning...John Porter

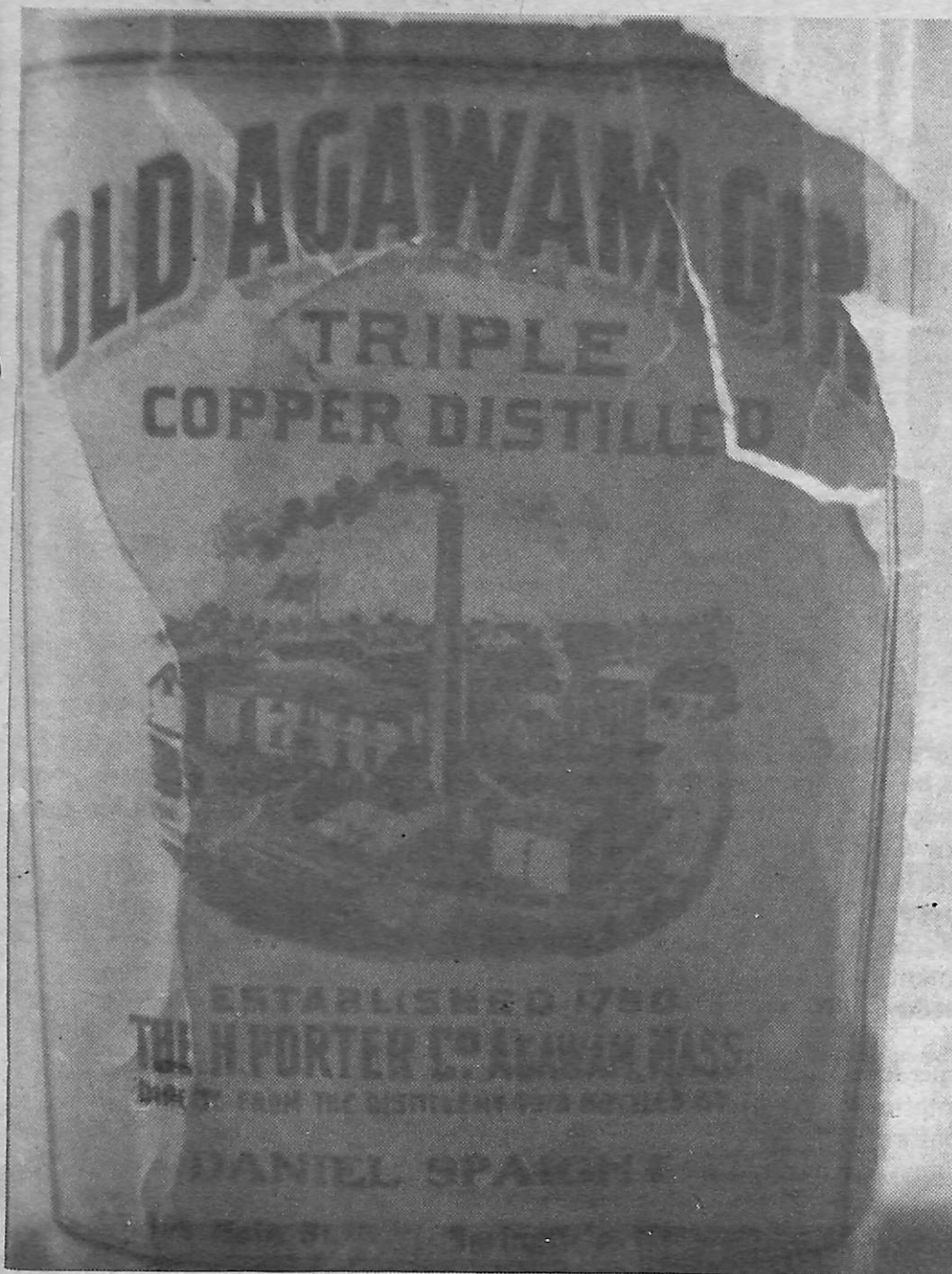
Apart from the town history, little is known of the progenitor of the Porter family other than reference to John Porter from Agawam, who saw some considerable service in the American Revolution (from its outset).

One need only to read Mrs. LaFrancis' chapter on the *"Men Of The Revolutionary Army,"* to realize that John Porter was a man of some importance prior to his initial venture into the whiskey business.

Accordingly, it would appear that John had been most energetic in his earlier enterprises (prior to the success of his children and grandchildren who would follow in his footsteps as entrepreneurs of local business).

In any respect to fully appreciate the true beginnings of the Agawam Gin Company, we must first envisage the initial start of the company as far back as the late 18th century.

Mrs. LaFrancis clearly states that John Porter had been active in business enterprises *"for some years previous to his arrival here, (Agawam), having been in charge of a seafaring concern that dealt with shipment of plaster from Halifax, Nova Scotia to Boston."*



### A BOTTLE OF AGAWAM'S famous "Old Agawm Gin."

Again, Mrs. LaFrancis, in an earlier chapter, states that John's rank of captain, as he was afterwards known, might have been from his seafaring days!

Still, it remains that John Porter had come to our township, then a parish of Springfield, prior to the year 1774. He married Miss Mary Bacon from Middletown, Connecticut. Having constructed his home on South Main Street, he was then caught-up in the tempest of the American Revolution. Porter offered his services to the Colonial Army at the very beginning of the war.

But it was following his war years that John Porter was to devote the rest of his life to business ventures that would prove the backbone of the family interests.

According to the town history, Porter had already established his practice of making "home-made spirits" between the years 1780-1798. In this respect we take note with Everts' history, which states that the Porter company had commenced operations in 1801. Again, it is interesting to wonder as to this discrepancy in dates; what with there being a 21-year difference between the two time periods.

In any case, we shall be content with Mrs. LaFrancis' convictions!

It is also interesting to note that Porter must have been a most versatile individual. He not only produced spirits with locally grown ingredients (rye, juniper berries, and peppermint), but he constructed his own grist mill/saw mill on his property, the purpose of which is self-explanatory.

In time, the business was to pass on to John's son, Elijah, and thence to Elijah's son, Harvey, who then attributed to the firm the name of "H. Porter Distilling Company." As best we can determine, it was John's grandson, Harvey, Sr., who, like his grandfather, was a man of many business interests.

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Along with operating the distillery, Harvey Porter in-

vested in the Porterville Manufacturing Company (1835), having a number of prominent local stockholders assisting the venture. Although the enterprise was to survive but a few years, this project did indeed display the business spirit of the Porter family.

It is interesting to note that one of Harvey Porter's colleagues, Reverend Jesse Whitman, had deeded certain rights to the company, whereby ice from the Whitman Pond was employed during the "cooling process" of the distilling of the gin. All in all, one might easily conclude a strong sense of Yankee ingenuity within the Porter family!

#### Three Generation Legacy

It should not be surprising to learn that Harvey, Sr.'s endeavors would be carried on by his son, Harvey E. Porter, brother of Minerva Porter Davis, benefactor of the Captain Charles Leonard House. With the third generation of Porters entering the business, the distillery was to advance well into the first quarter of the 20th century. **PART II next week.**

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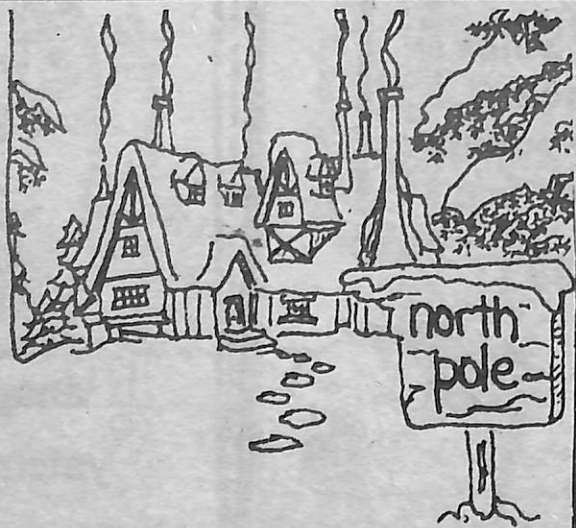
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## Ag. Senior Center News, Activities

**December 1st, Thursday:** 12:30 p.m., program, Greater Springfield Senior Services, Topic: How to Access the System, and Elderly Abuse.

**December 2nd, Friday:** 1:00 p.m., Diabetic Screening.

**December 6th, Tuesday:** 1:00 p.m., Blood Pressure Clinic, A-L.

**December 7th, Wednesday:** 9:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., Podiatry Clinic with Dr. Haynes.

**December 8th, Thursday:** 10:00 a.m. Mystery Trip.

**December 13th, Tuesday:** 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Eye Screening at Countryview. Appointments made at the Senior Center.

**December 15th, Thursday:** 12:30 p.m. program, "Special Touch" video and presentation for women. Early detection of breast cancer.

**December 15th, Thursday:** 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Foot Nurses by appointment.

**December 19th, Monday:** 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Eye Screening at Center by appointment.

**December 20th, Tuesday:** 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., "SHINE" Medicare and Medex assistance by appointment.

**December 20th, Tuesday:** 1:00 p.m., Blood Pressure Clinic, M-Z.

**December 22nd, Thursday:** 12:00 noon. A special menu with entertainment. Reservations open Thursday before.

**December 23rd, Friday:** Center closes at 12:00 noon.

**December 24th, Saturday:** No Bingo.

**December 27th, Tuesday:** 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., Legal consultations with Attorney Teryl Jansens.

**A Very Special Thank-You**

A very special thank-you to our very important "volunteers" who contributed their time and efforts to a successful "Bazaar '88" and to those that no one seems to see, who work on crafts and special items at home and casually drop them off when no one is looking. Please know how grateful we all are that you are always there and how important those efforts of love are to us. A salute to our creative instructors and their students who work so hard in their classes to make things for the bazaar.

### Up-Date On "Turkey Walk"

The walk sponsored by the American Heart Association which took place Sunday, November 6th, was a great success. The Activities Department announces that \$142 was raised from donations made by our seniors. The "Walkers" independently raised \$147.35 from their respective communities. The turkey that was won by the Senior Center was donated to the Agawam Baptist Church and given to a family in need.

The "Turkey Walk" was initiated to promote community awareness about heart-healthy eating and exercise.

Many thanks to all who contributed, both at the Senior Center and the communities, which in turn helped us do our part in a worthwhile cause.

### Vision Screening

Community Eye Care is having a vision screening at Country View Apartments, 95 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, Tuesday, December 13th, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., by appointment. There is no charge for this service. Appointments may be made by calling the Senior Center, 786-0400, extension 242.

## Carrie Ann Dymon Engaged To Michael Alan Rieger

Roland J. & Barbara A. Dymon announce the engagement of their daughter, Carrie Ann Dymon, to Michael Alan Rieger of San Francisco, California.

Miss Dymon resides at 60 Deering Street, Agawam, and is a 1987 graduate of Agawam High School. She is presently a senior at Bay Path Junior College, Longmeadow, majoring in the Executive Secretarial program.

Rieger is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Rieger of 6 Elmbark Lane, East Northport, New York. He is a 1982 graduate of John H. Glenn High School, Elwood, New York, and also attended Dartmouth College graduating cum laude in 1986.

He is presently employed as an associate of G.B. Capital Management of Sausalito, California. The couple plan a June 1990 wedding.



SERVING CHOCOLATE CAKE at the recent Agawam Senior Center Christmas Bazaar are Germaine Fontaine and Gladys Belcher. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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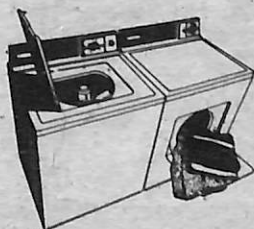
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THE FRONT DOOR of the Alexander King House in Suffield, with the traditional hospitality pineapple set among Christmas decorations.



SHIRLEY DAY OF SUFFIELD is pictured with Mrs. Santa and a Christmas nutcracker, among the decoratively painted objects to be exhibited at the Hatheway House in Suffield on December 3rd and 4th.

## Agawam Residents Invited To Annual Xmas Holidayfest In Suffield's Historic District

Suffield: The King House Museum and the Hatheway House will welcome visitors in the yuletide spirit on Saturday, December 3rd, and Sunday, December 4th. Both historic houses on South Main Street will be open from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., for their Holidayfest celebration, with special Christmas exhibits.

At the King House, in addition to a tall Victorian-style Christmas tree and an assortment of antique toys, there will be an unusual exhibit of 19th-century magic lanterns. These interesting devices are the early form of today's slide projectors. Their illumination was provided by candles or oil lamps, and the slides were originally hand-painted. Travelling lecturers used large magic lanterns, which were a popular educational and amusement source.

The King House Museum will show a large assortment of smaller magic lanterns intended for home use. They are to be exhibited by Suffield's Robert Gunshanan, whose collection has grown over 40 years to be the largest in the United States. Gunshanan is a member of the magic lantern societies of the United

States and Great Britain. Along with the lanterns, he will display an assortment of antique slides, as well as catalogs, broadsides, books, and related material.

The Hatheway House will be fully decorated with Christmas greens and poinsettias and as a special attraction will display an extensive exhibit of decorative painting by Shirley Day and her students. Mrs. Day has been teaching in Suffield for 20 years, and has become well-known for the beauty and variety of her work.

The work will include Christmas stockings, old-time Santas, angels, nutcrackers, a charming Noah's Ark with all the pairs of animals, and much more. There will be tole and theorem painting, stenciling, tinsel painting, and many other examples of folk art.

For this event, co-sponsored by the Suffield Historical Society and the Antiquarian and Landmarks Society, there will be a combined admission fee for the two museums: \$3 for adults, and \$1 for children. Members of either society may attend free. Refreshments will be served at the King House Museum. For more information, call the Antiquarian and Landmarks Society, 247-8996.

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, please contact Jack Devine, 789-0053.

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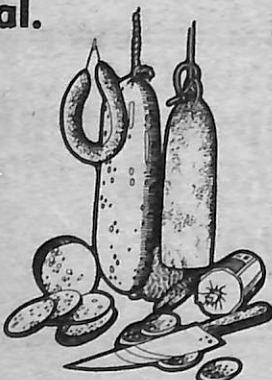
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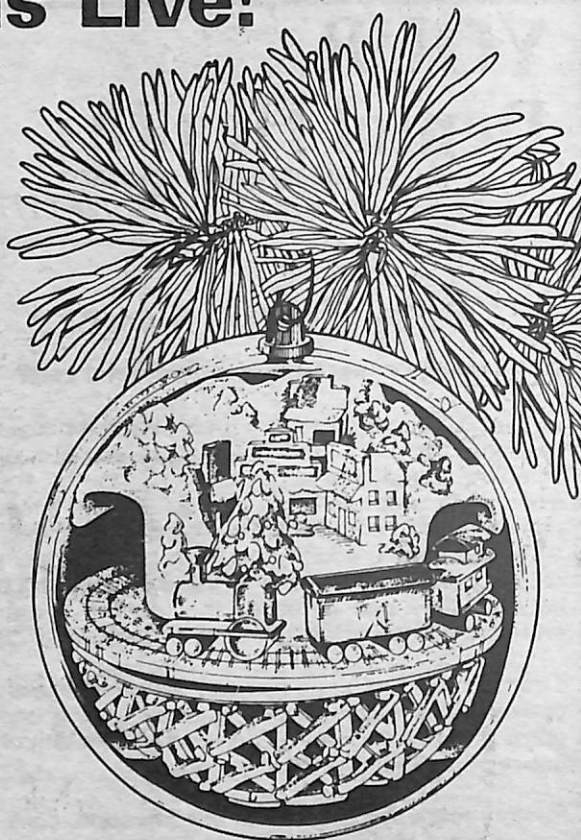


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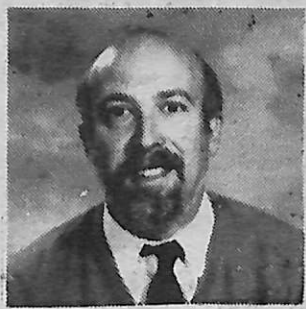
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## For Your Health...

### MANAGING YOUR STRESS

by Dr. Stephen Sobel  
M.S., S.M.C.



**DEAR DR. SOBEL:** I recently attended your seminar "Laugh More, Live Longer" at one of our meetings of our professional groups. I went away from the session feeling very good about what I learned about how humor can benefit people physiologically and psychologically. It is interesting to know that "laughter" can provide some of the same benefits as exercise—the release of the relaxing brain chemicals known as endorphins. I hope to be able to "diffuse" tension in the office with many of the techniques you demonstrated. The group games and giving adults the chance to be playful was great. Sometimes we don't realize how humor can actually enhance job creativity, performance and morale. Thanks for your time.

J.P., Agawam, MA.

**ANSWER:** Humor used to be seen as almost "taboo" in many settings. We now know that the most important asset to organizations are their people. The use of humor and getting the feeling that it is okay to "lighten up" in the workplace increases teamwork, a sense of purpose, and opens verbal and non-verbal communication. I often do workshops for schools, corporations and professional groups—initially people don't realize that it is so vital to be able to laugh at ourselves and the often stressful circumstances we find ourselves in. Humor helps diminish tension individually and organizationally. Remember though, to laugh with people not at people!

**STRESS CHECK:** (A service to AAN Readers) 1. Pre-registration for Dr. Sobel's "Holiday Cooler" Stress Reduction Seminars is now taking place. Dates are December 7th, 10th, and 12th. All sessions are 1½ hours in length. Call Dr. Sobel at 785-1259 or write: Dr. Sobel, c/o N.E.I.S.M., 322 Main Street, Springfield, MA, 01105 for descriptive flyer. (All sessions will take place at Dr. Sobel's Conference Center, 322 Main Street. Seating is limited). Cost is \$30 per person or \$50 per couple. Learn our tested stress reduction techniques!

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3. Did you know that the tears produced by laughter often help carry out of our systems accumulated stress chemicals/hormones? It's true!

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### YOUR Dental Health

by Dr. Stephen R. Jacapraro  
1379 Main Street - Agawam, 786-8177

#### "Baby Teeth" Count

**Q. Do a baby's first teeth require special care?**

**A.** The 20 primary teeth are present in the baby's jawbones at birth, and the crowns are almost complete. Usually at about six to 12 months, the front teeth erupt through the gums. The other primary teeth come through generally by age 3. Although they gradually are lost, primary teeth require care at home and in the dentist's office because they can influence the lifetime health and appearance of the permanent teeth.

Tooth decay can begin as soon as the first teeth appear. After each feeding, a baby's teeth and gums should be wiped with a damp washcloth or gauze pad to remove food residue.

Primary teeth sometimes fall out too soon, causing adjacent teeth to tip toward the empty space. This can cause permanent teeth to come in out of position. The dentist may recommend the use of a space maintainer to keep adjacent teeth in place.

Presented as a community service by Stephen R. Jacapraro, D.M.D., 1379 Main Street, Agawam, MA. Phone: 786-8177.

### Agawam Counseling Center To Hold Adult Support Group

Did you grow up in a family where one or both of your parents were alcoholic? If yes, then you may share many common experiences and relationship issues with other people who grew up in a similar situation.

The Agawam Counseling Center is now forming a support group for Adult Children of Alcoholics. The purpose of the group is to gain greater insight into how one's family of origin has impacted upon them through their childhood and as adults. Relevant topics and issues will be determined by the needs of the group members with additional information to be provided by the facilitator.

The support group will meet on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., starting on January 3rd, 1989. This is a time limited group and will run for 20 sessions and will be limited to a maximum of seven members.

If you are interested in this group or know of someone who would be, contact Dan Plotkin at the Agawam Counseling Center, 786-6410.

### Mended Hearts Chapter 37 Sets Meeting December 12th

The Mended Hearts, Inc. Chapter 37 of Greater Springfield will hold their monthly meeting Monday, December 12th, at 7:30 p.m., at the Elks Lodge 61, 440 Tiffany Street, Springfield.

Anyone who is anticipating cardiac surgery or has undergone cardiac surgery is welcome to attend this support group's meeting with family or friends. There is no charge. Refreshments will be served.

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### YOUR BACK & YOUR HEALTH

by Dr. Joseph & Dr. Katherine  
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**QUESTION:** My neighbor claims to have found improvement in her problems with dizziness through chiropractic care. How is this possible?

**ANSWER:** There are two primary types of dizziness, sometimes known as vertigo. They are: (1) inner ear, and (2) circulatory.

Both types may be produced by drugs, stress, accidents or by merely whirling about rapidly like many of us did as children.

The primary difference between the inner ear and circulatory dizziness is, in the inner ear type, it is like the merry-go-round or twirling sensation whereas the circulatory type becomes apparent when lying down or bending over and getting up quickly and feeling faint. It is possible to have both kinds.

Dizziness is not a disease. It is an indication that something is amiss in the delicate balance of our body. The dizzy spells are nature's warning that some disorder is interfering with the proper function of the body's organs, nerves, glands, or muscles.

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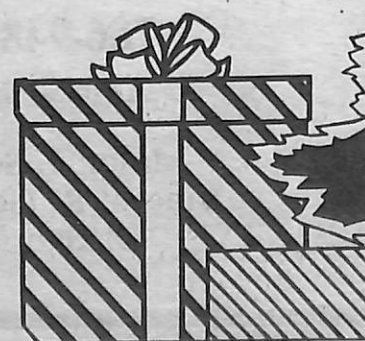
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## Arts



### PHILM REVIEW

by Phil Benoit  
Entertainment Editor

#### —Buster: 3 STARS

In this charming true-life film, British rock singer Phil Collins stars as Ronald "Buster" Edwards, a petty English thief who was part of a band of men who, during the summer of 1963, carried out a headline-making train robbery that endeared them to the middle- and lower-class populace and made them out to be present-day Robin Hoods.

However, the infuriated conservative government was determined to apprehend and punish these perpetrators to the fullest extent of the law, thereby causing Buster and his wife (Julie Walters) to live on the lam and eventually migrate to the very un-English shores of Acapulco, Mexico.

*Buster* is certainly not destined to be nominated for the Academy Award for Best Picture of 1988. Its biographical storyline is rather predictable and, thus, offers little in the way of any dramatic surprises, and the overall picture is edited in a relentlessly choppy fashion which renders it as a jerkily paced production.

Nevertheless, this film manages to make for engagingly worthwhile entertainment that is especially easy to warm up to. In addition to successfully blending lightweight crime drama with appealing humor and romance, *Buster* depicts the everyday lives of England's working-class men and women with a slice-of-life sense of realism that is often missing in motion pictures that deal with the common people of Great Britain.

What's more, the movie's two leading performers deserve much credit for providing it with much of its strength. Walters, a winsome English actress who's best known in this country for her Oscar-nominated role as the title character in 1983's *Educating Rita*, skillfully portrays Buster's wife as a long-suffering but ever-devoted woman who's always put up with her husband's thieving ways and usually takes whatever trouble comes their way in stride.

And, Collins is equally impressive in the part of Buster by supplying his character with a likable and well-meaning persona that's comprised of dim-witted roughness and unwitting fallibility. Though he has appeared on NBC's *Miami Vice* in the role of an amusing con artist, Collins' auspicious work in *Buster* marks his long-awaited debut in feature films, and his credible and charismatic presence proves that he is among that small number of singers who have what it takes to make that most difficult leap to the silver screen.

#### —Fresh Horses: 1½ STARS

A difficult-to-sit-through romantic drama about a soon-to-be-married college student (Andrew McCarthy) who forsakes his wedding plans when he meets and instantly falls in love with a mysterious young woman (Molly Ringwald) who is very secretive about her past.

Youthful moviegoers will definitely remember that McCarthy (*Kansas*) and Ringwald (*For Keeps*) have previously co-starred in *Pretty in Pink*, a teen-oriented love story in which he was a filthy-rich preppie and she portrayed a girl from the wrong side of the tracks. Yet, while that 1986 picture was mildly entertaining, *Fresh Horses* is a stale endeavor that is unarguably boring.

Director David Anspaugh, who delighted audiences and critics alike with the 1987 basketball drama *Hoosiers*, presents the plot in such a ponderous and sometimes confusing manner that we soon lose in-

terest in the characters and their predicaments and find ourselves impatiently waiting for the flick to be over.

On the plus side, McCarthy and Ringwald are fine in their respective roles; but, at the same time, it's important to note that they've played similar characters so often in the past that they could perform these parts in their sleep.

Speaking of sleep, this is the only thing which you could possibly get if you ventured to see *Fresh Horses*.

#### —High Spirits: 0 STARS

A bottom-of-the-barrel, dreadfully unfunny comedy starring the once-great but now perpetually bleary-eyed Peter O'Toole (*My Favorite Year*) as the boozy (what else?) proprietor of a haunted Irish castle that's been turned into a tourist attraction; actress Daryl Hannah (*Roxanne*) in the role of a lovesick, 200-year-old ghost; and comic actor Steve Guttenberg (*Three Men and a Baby*) as an unhappily married American visitor who falls head over heels for Hannah's spectral character.

Despite the fact that it boasts a cast of well-known performers, *High Spirits* was unleashed upon the American moviegoing public with little advance advertising. You see, this is the kind of fiasco that appears out of nowhere, makes a fast buck, and winds up in your video rental store before you know it.

And, considering that it opened the week before Thanksgiving, *High Spirits* is one cinematic turkey that couldn't have picked a better time to rear its ugly head.

#### —The Land Before Time: 2 STARS

This passable animated picture tells the prehistoric tale of five young dinosaurs who have been separated from their respective families during an earthquake, and must now band together in order to make a perilous journey to a far-off valley where food is in abundance and where they can find a safe place to live away from their enemies and other dangers.

*The Land Before Time* is the weakest effort to date by director-animator Don Bluth, who also gave us the first-rate *The Secret of NIMH* back in 1982, and the flawed yet enjoyable *An American Tail* two years ago. Although it runs for little more than one hour, this movie is burdened with a slow-moving and monotonous plot, as well as dull and muddy animation

that grows somewhat tedious to watch.

Still, *The Land Before Time* deserves a marginal recommendation. Since dinosaurs are presently in vogue, kids will be enthralled by their antics up on the screen, and both the young and the young at heart are sure to be touched and have some tears in their eyes during the emotionally stirring scenes which this faulty but well-intentioned film has to offer.

#### —Oliver & Company: 2½ STARS

The 27th feature-length cartoon from the studios of the late Walt Disney, this variation on Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist* updates the setting from 19th century London to modern-day New York, and centers on a homeless kitten by the name of Oliver who meets up with a pack of streetwise, pickpocketing dogs who are unwillingly entwined in the machinations of a heinous mobster.

*Oliver & Company* is by no means one of the best products to have ever come from the people at Disney, for it is a run-of-the-mill animated film that gets bogged down with some extraneous musical numbers by such artists as Billy Joel and Bette Midler (who, incidentally, also supply the voices for the story's canine Artful Dodger and a pampered poodle named Georgette, respectively).

On the other hand, there is nothing really wrong with this picture either, and it provides livelier and better-paced entertainment than *The Land Before Time* does. Furthermore, while the title character happens to be an undeniably cute and cuddly kitten, *Oliver & Company* is not an overly cutesy movie, since it is very comical in nature and eschews the sort of sickening sappiness that is frequently the downfall of many a cartoon.

#### \*THE PHILM GUIDE FOR PARENTS:

—Buster: Rated R for some explicit nudity.

—Fresh Horses: Rated PG-13 for mature themes and subject matter.

—High Spirits: Rated PG-13 for some mildly risqué humor and situations.

—The Land Before Time and Oliver & Company: Both films are G-rated fare for family-oriented viewing.

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Discover the art of still-life and visual trickery of "trompe l'oeil" painting and enjoy a "Festival of Toys" highlighted by a doll-making demonstration and a hands-on program about things that fly at Sunday Spectrum on December 4th, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m., at the Springfield Library and Museums, corner of State and Chestnut Streets. All of the activities, which are designed to appeal to all ages, are free of charge.

A Quadrangle-wide series of family-oriented programs, Sunday Spectrum features a variety of displays, performances, demonstrations and hands-on projects centered around a common weekly theme. The program is sponsored, in part, by a grant from the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, a state agency.

"Trompe L'oeil" painting, which translates to mean "fool the eye," creates the illusion of reality. This intriguing art form will be demonstrated by Hampden artist Jeff Kern from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m., in the Court of the Museum of Fine Arts. Kern will explain trompe l'oeil techniques while working on one of his current pieces.

Visitors can view the Museum of Fine Art's own eye-teasing collection of trompe l'oeil paintings, which features masterpieces by New Haven artist John Haberle (1865-1933).

In addition, visitors can try their own hands at designing trompe l'oeil collages in the art-making workshop of the Museum of Fine Arts and can view the film "John F. Peto" about one of the leading trompe l'oeil artists of the late 19th century in the American Portrait Gallery. Both activities are scheduled from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

At the Science Museum from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m., in Tolman Auditorium, professional doll artist Dorothy Mendrala will be demonstrating reproduction porcelain doll-making methods which were common during the late 1800s and early 1900s.

Ms. Mendrala, a West Springfield resident, will explain the different phases of making a doll, beginning with the first casting and ending with dressing the completed doll in clothing made from fabrics representative of that era.

The Science Circus, an independent association of science educators, will present "Flights of Fancy," a hands-on program about things that fly, at 1:30 and 3:00 p.m., in the Science Workshop of the Science



**TRACY BROCKWAY** (left), an art education major at the University of Massachusetts, will help youngsters to make paper dolls, paper airplanes, and other crafts to decorate their homes for the holidays at the Springfield Science Museum this Sunday, December 4th.

Museum. Visitors will have an opportunity to examine floaters and flyers from the natural world, like seeds, birds and flying squirrels, and can send messages floating off in balloons.

While at the Science Museum, youngsters can take time out to make paper dolls, paper airplanes, and other holiday crafts to decorate their homes.

The December 4th edition of Sunday Spectrum coincides with the Annual Olde Fashioned Holiday at the Quadrangle which runs from December 2nd through 11th. Although all activities associated with Sunday Spectrum are free of charge, there is an admission charge of \$4 for adults, and \$1 for children two to 12, for the special Holiday exhibitions.

Free parking is available in the Association's lots on State Street, across from the City Library, and on Edwards Street. Additional parking is available nearby at a small cost.

The Springfield Library and Museums Association is a private, non-profit organization comprised of the Springfield City Library System, Museum of Fine Arts, Connecticut Valley Historical Museum, Springfield Science Museum, and George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum.

Sunday Spectrum continues on December 11th with a number of events to help unmask the mysteries of the Winter Solstice and another "Festival of Toys."

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**"THE THREE MILL GIRLS OF LOWELL"** will be performed at the Agawam Public Library this Friday night, December 2nd, courtesy of the Agawam Arts and Humanities Council.

### First Friday Series To Present Marcia Perlmutter

The First Friday Series of the Agawam Arts and Humanities presents Marcia Perlmutter in "The Three Mill Girls of Lowell," Friday, December 2nd, at 7:30 p.m., in the Agawam Public Library.

Originally from Selma, Alabama, Marcia Perlmutter has made her home in New England, where she was an elementary school art teacher for 11 years.

Ms. Perlmutter began her research for the "Mill Girls" characters in 1981. In January 1982, she had her debut performance. Later that year, Marcia left her teaching position to make "Characters" her full-time occupation.

"Three Mill Girls of Lowell" is presented in costume of the fashion of the mid-1800's. The three women relate their experiences and express their different view on mill works in the fabric mills of Lowell, Massachusetts.

All three women will be portrayed by Ms. Perlmutter of "Characters" Educational Theater, Franklin, Massachusetts.

Admission is free. The public is invited. The funding for this performance is provided by the Massachusetts Art Lottery.

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## Jim Bertone-Gross To Exhibit Work At Ag. Library

The Agawam Public Library is pleased to announce an exhibit of the work of Jim Bertone-Gross during the month of December.

Bertone-Gross has a bachelor of science in Art and Art Education from Austin Peay St. University in Clarksville, Tennessee, and a master's degree in education from the Hartford Art School, University of Hartford. He also has exhibited at several one-man shows across the United States.

He will present acrylic painting, mixed media, pencil drawings, drawings on mylar, and several word pictures.

The exhibit will be in the gallery of the library and may be viewed during regular library hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The library is closed 12:00 noon, December 23rd through December 26th.

## Agawam Repertory Theatre Slates December Auditions

The Agawam Repertory Theatre will hold auditions this month for two of its upcoming projects.

On December 6th and 7th, tryouts will be held for "The Love Course," a one-act play by A.R. Gurney, Jr. The play will be the group's entry in the Annual C.T.A. Drama Festival to be held in March, and will be directed by Arnold Woods. There are roles for two men and two women.

On December 14th and 20th, auditions will be held for Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple—Female Version." The play has roles for six women and two men. It will be directed by Virginia Andrewes and will be presented at the Moses Theatre (formerly StageWest), West Springfield, next May.

All auditions will be held from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street. For more information, call 739-2111.



## Tuesday Morning Music Club Sets Christmas Program Dec. 6

What better way is there to start the Christmas season than with a morning of fine music?

Join us on Tuesday, December 6th, at 10:30 a.m., for this free, open meeting. It will be held at Wilbraham United Church, 500 Main Street, Wilbraham. Songs of John Jacob Niles, Max Reger, Richard Trunk, and Mary E. Caldwell will be sung by Martha Fletcher, accompanied by pianist, Lee Flathers and Betty Budington, recorder.

Mrs. Fletcher holds a bachelor's degree from Birmingham Southern College and a master of music degree from the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, where she was a member of the opera department. Most recently she has held solo positions at Trinity Methodist Church and Faith United Church in Springfield. She is a current performing member of the Chromatic Club and the Tuesday Morning Music Club.

Charles Page holds a bachelor's degree from Boston University and a master of music degree from Yale. This well-known musician is organist and choir director at Old First Church, Springfield, director of Novi Cantori musical group, on the faculty of Bay Path Junior College and state chairman of the American Guild of Organists. He will honor us with organ selections of Pachelbel, Walther, and Fleury.

Dr. Gregory Gallivan is known as "the Singing Surgeon." He has a dual career as operatic baritone and thoracic surgeon and voice care physician in Greater Springfield. He is presently singing in Project Opera's production of *Hansel and Gretel* and has sung regularly with Project Opera since its inception, performing many title roles in its productions. He will sing three numbers by Russell Woollen, composer, organist and musician in the Washington, D.C. area. Charles Page will accompany him in these numbers as well as in a rendition of "I Believe" by Erwin Drake and "The Lord's Prayer" by Alfred Hay Malotte.



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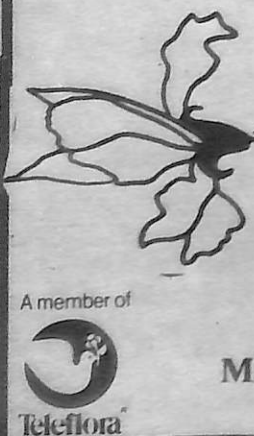
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## Agawam Invited To *Beauty And The Beast*

Suffield: Lyle Pearsons, Mary K. Makoski, and Ed Gogulski of Suffield, Connecticut, and Margie Secora of Southwick will be featured as the cast for *Beauty and the Beast*, Saturday, December 3rd, and Sunday, December 4th, at 3:30 and 7:30 p.m., at Mapleton Hall, Suffield.

This enchanting tale of a young woman's ability to see beyond a grotesque and terrorizing exterior to the gentle natured spirit inside the Beast will delight audiences both young and old with its special effects, poetical script, and unique costumes.

*Beauty and the Beast* will be an innovative acting technique of split characters (play two roles simultaneously). Pearsons and Ms. Makoski, award-winning members of the Suffield Players will tackle these roles and will delight the audience with their comedic talents, as they portray Beauty's father and a bank solicitor and Haughtense and Dyspepsia, Beauty's sisters. Gogulski and Ms. Secora have the title roles.

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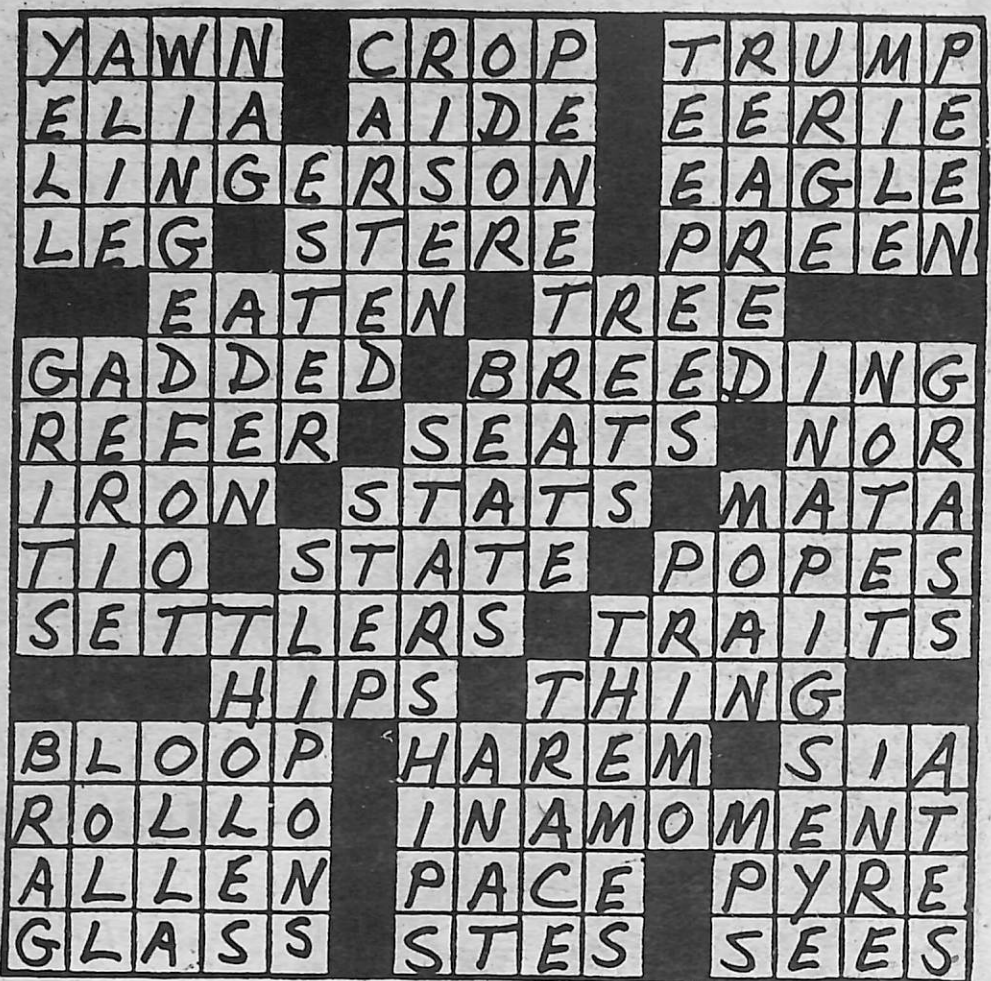
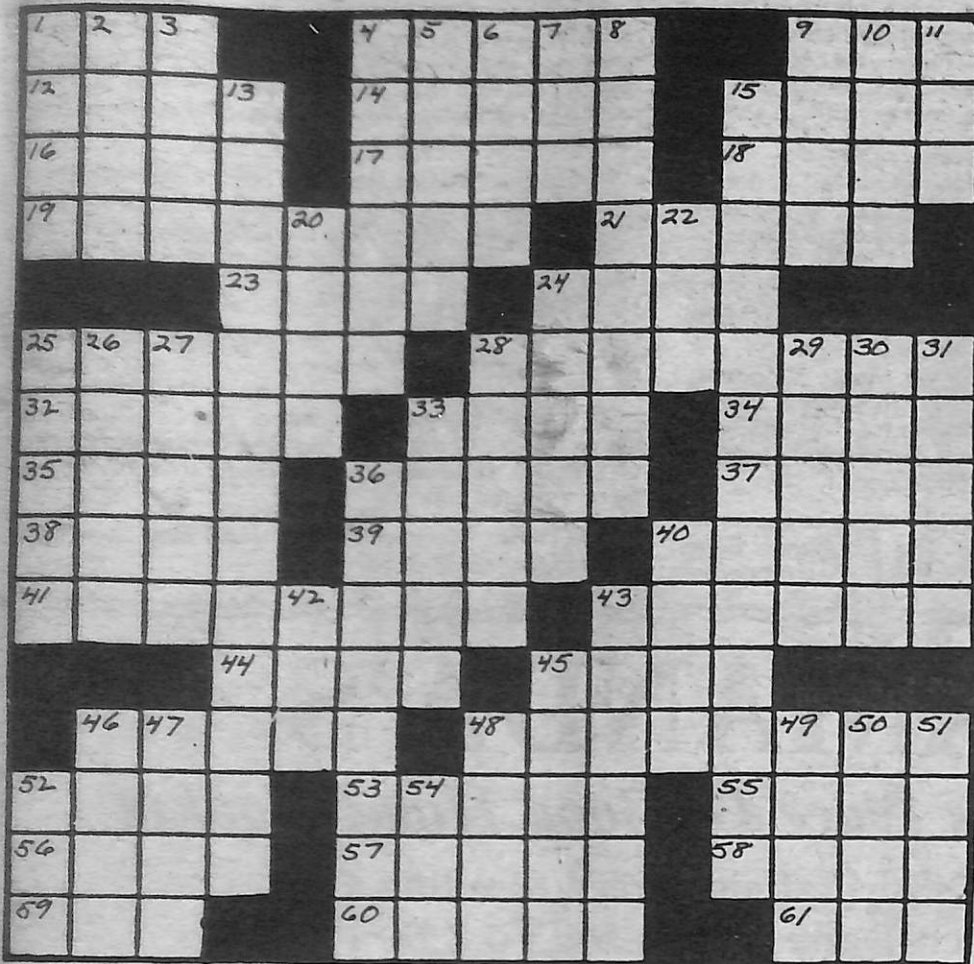




# MEET THE MASTER

by Dick Mastroianni

Last Week's Solution...



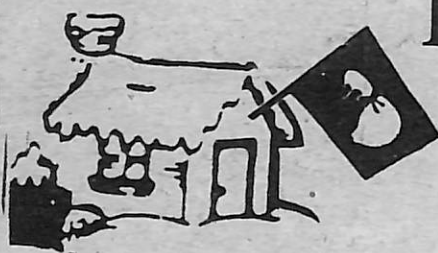
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- 1 Word of discovery  
4 Easel  
9 Rep.  
12 Richtofen et al  
14 Leverer  
15 Shield border  
16 Jot  
17 Eagles' nest  
18 Mid-East hot-spot  
19 Sluice  
21 Meal course  
23 Care for  
24 Bones  
25 Evil ones  
28 Customers  
32 Ms. Dunne  
33 Den-Biggers character  
34 Extreme  
35 Dope to the "Fonz"  
36 Metallic sound  
37 Change course  
38 Pant  
39 - to hand combat  
40 Spotted horse  
41 Kind of giant  
43 End of the day  
44 Soprano lily  
45 Valley  
46 Easy putt  
48 Representative  
52 Cripple  
53 Torpid  
55 Dry  
56 Mimer  
57 Scandinavian  
58 Dancer Sally  
59 Gentle -  
60 Avarice

## DOWN

- 1 Bird in Latin  
2 Wicket  
3 Against  
4 Gives birth  
5 Tire feature  
6 Light  
7 Eastern flute  
8 Needed for 21A  
9 Oath  
10 Elated  
11 Perfect score?  
13 Seasoning for 21A  
15 One kind of 8D  
20 Smooth  
22 Gynt's mother  
24 Portrayer of 33A  
25 Croons  
26 -- living doll  
27 Concise  
28 Chinese name  
29 Chinese nights  
30 Mountain crest  
31 Animal  
33 Family groups  
36 Talking - slang  
40 Whimper  
42 Made from taro  
43 Kind of peanuts  
45 Poems  
46 Record on a VCR  
47 Prayer ending  
48 - Mable  
49 Nomad  
50 Ms. Turner  
51 Whirlpool  
52 MIT workshop  
54 Neither's partner

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From above word make at least 25 five letter words. You may use only one form of a word. Example, arise or arose, not both. Do not add an "s" to a four letter word. Slang words not allowed. Answers next week.

### CRYPTOGRAMS

ANSWERS (last week's answers)

Amino	Taunt	Twine
Haunt	Tenon	Union
Human	Thane	White
Motet	Theta	Wheat
Mount	Thine	Withe
Mouth	Tithe	Woman
Omani	Totem	
Taint	Twain	



## Let's Talk Travel

by Julie Mercadante  
Worldtek Travel



### Walt Disney World

After my recent four-day cruise to the Bahamas on Premier Cruise Lines, I picked-up my rental car at the pier and drove back to Orlando. The trip takes about 40 minutes.

I checked in at the Caribbean Beach Resort, one of the newest Disney hotels. The room wasn't ready so I purchased my admission tickets at the hotel service desk to eliminate waiting in line at the park, and drove to Epcot Center. The beach resort is only a 10 minute

drive to Epcot. My last visit to Epcot was several years ago and some new attractions are now open.

"The Living Seas" is the world's largest man-made salt water environment and holds 5.7 million gallons of seawater. There are many interesting fish which you see "up close and personal." The newest country to be represented is Norway. Interesting exhibit but don't eat in the Kringle Bakeri og Kafe unless you like salmon, herring, or cured meat, etc.

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The next day was spent at the Magic Kingdom. I went to "Mickey's" birthday tent to see the celebration. The best part was seeing the look of wonder on the faces of the young ones in the audience! I revisited "Small World"—my favorite attraction.

After a full day at Disneyworld, I drove to the airport for a 7:00 p.m. flight home. The Caribbean Beach Resort is the least expensive of the Disney properties.

The rooms are large and rates are about \$85 per night. Rates at the other Disney hotels range from \$160 to \$300 per night. The hotel is not connected to the park by the monorail, but they do have a shuttle bus that operates every 30 minutes. My only complaint on the hotel was the difficulty I had finding my room after dark. There are several rooms in each two story unit and I don't think they're marked clearly enough. (Don't jump to conclusions).

I used Budget Car Rental. The car was clean, the staff courteous, and there were no problems. My flights were on US Air. There were some delays, but no major problems. I arrived at my destination—with my luggage. What more can I say!

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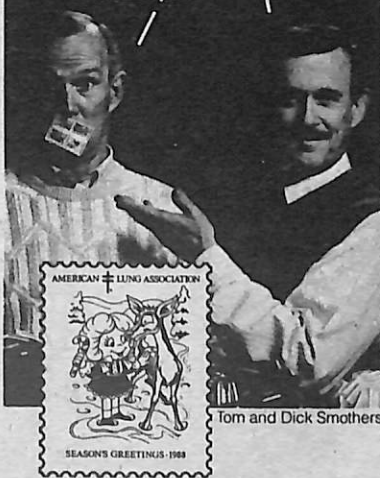
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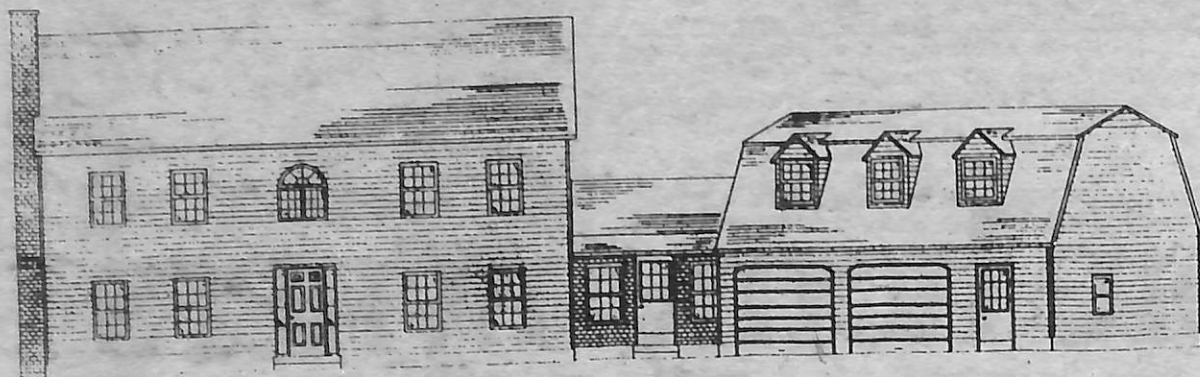
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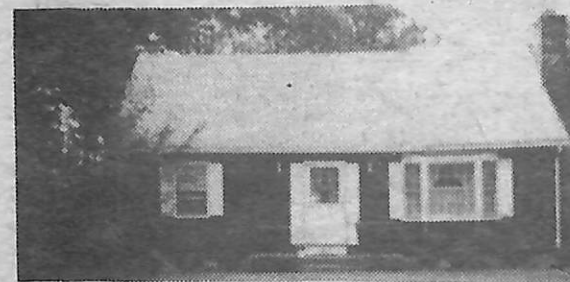
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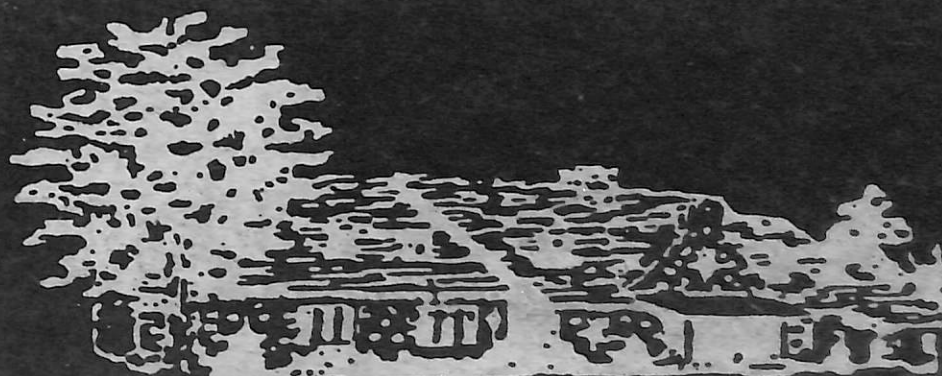
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## Education

# AHS Mirror Struggles On; Student Poll Shows Strong Support For Open Journalism In School

by Iris Copson School Dept. Editor

Reflections of last year's Agawam High School student newspaper, *Mirror*, successes shimmered brightly this month with many awards. This year's staff, however, reduced to only eight students, is struggling diligently to keep the *Mirror* from shattering completely from the burden of many obstacles.

The resignation of *Mirror* Advisor Dorothy Martin (for over 12 years) and the deletion of *Mirror* as a class this year has created an unpopular situation.

In an effort to continue the long and distinguished tradition of a school newspaper at AHS, a commitment had to be made for an after-school activity. The motivation of class credit has been eliminated and the time-frame restricted many working students from volunteering for *Mirror*.

AHS internal suspension teacher Jacqueline Pressey took the post of *Mirror* advisor this year but said, "It is almost an impossible task to produce a paper with such limited meeting time. We hope to have our first issue out by the second week of December."

The staff meets once a week after school as opposed to daily classes last year. They began late this year, too, because there was no advisor in September.

Editor Christine Schoenborn said, "It is like pulling teeth to get them (staff) together. The people that made the commitment are doing the best they can do. Most of the staff is new, so it is difficult because they don't really know what they are doing. There are only two of us from last year."

Mrs. Pressey said, "Yearbook Advisor Dave Pulaski has been very supportive. He has supplied us with pictures for events. Our only photographer, Suzanne Park, has really been overworked, and we have lost a lot of pictures."

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Mrs. Pressey was relieved to understand that faculty member Larry O'Brien's journalism class students that were involved in *Mirror* would be allowed to utilize some of that class time for composing *Mirror* articles, and that O'Brien's class may be willing to help write articles after November.

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In a poll of approximately half of the 1,050 students at AHS, the question was posed, "Do you feel it is important to have (*Mirror*) a school newspaper?" An overwhelming majority said yes because it fostered school spirit, kept them informed, and they looked forward to reading it (five students said no, it was not important).

All but one student questioned said they would like to see *Mirror* reinstated as a credited class next year. The one opposing student said his dissent was because he felt it was not fair to make *Mirror* a class when there were so many other important activities that had to be held only after school.

Two-thirds of the polled students felt that *Mirror* would either not survive this year as an after-school activity or they were unsure. Approximately one-third felt with the strong commitment of these few students on staff this year, the *Mirror* would survive.

Christine Schoenborn added, "I feel very disappointed that the administration could have allowed that to happen (deletion of *Mirror* as a class)." She added, "*Mir-*



STAFF MEMBERS of the Agawam High School *Mirror*. Back row, from left Katie DeBonville, Jen Daubney, and Christine Schoenborn. Front row - Ken Cornwell, Allison Hubbard, Suzann Park, and advisor Jacqueline Pressey. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

ror is part of the school spirit."

Mrs. Martin said, "I miss the caliber of students I used to have. They were not afraid to introduce new ideas. I directed them (students) not to censor the issues they dealt with and I suppose it was hard for them (school administration) to support everything in the paper."

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A prime example of Mrs. Martin's policy on open journalism was the January/February 1988 issue's article entitled, "Houses Trashed When Parties Crashed." This article took the "Best Feature Article Award" at Holyoke Community College.

The article was an honest account from many students who had witnessed malicious destruction of property and fighting when house parties had teenage drinkers on the scene.

Reporting on information about teen drinking, vandalism, parent opinions, and authorities' actions were given by authors Bob Dintzner, Gina Lewis, Jen Maloni, and Beth Regish (Class of '88).

Many hours of research on background information was gathered by the reporters, including how rentals of hotel rooms by students were achieved. A survey of 157 AHS students asked "What happens during parties?" showed: drinking (23 percent), drugs (10 percent), trashing houses (8 percent), fights (9 percent),

personal injury (9 percent), and stealing (5 percent). Listening to music (20 percent), dancing (11 percent), and other (5 percent) completed the activities. Statements by hotel managers and the Police Department supported their data.

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*Mirror*'s 1987-88 student staff also received "Best All-Around" in the Elijah Lovejoy Division at Holyoke Community College, and was again awarded the prestigious First Place at Columbia University.

Mrs. Martin said, "Design, layout, content, coverage, sports-every facet of newspaper production is considered for first place at Columbia. Judging includes approximately 2,000 newspapers, both nationally and internationally in this competition."

She added, "These awards meant a great deal to us. In November they gave us the incentive to meet our deadlines and in March to maintain the impetus to finish out the year."

Based on our sources, the new *Mirror* staff are being asked to make the commitment to strive just as unyieldingly for the attainment of such honors because the position of a journalist or anything else in producing a newspaper receives very little praise elsewhere.

Perhaps these few staff members will be encouraged by the *Advertiser News*' poll that the majority of the student body respects *Mirror* and wants it back.

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## 1987-88 Awards For *Mirror*



FORMER AGAWAM HIGH STUDENT NEWSPAPER ADVISOR Dorothy Martin and 1988-89 staff members Christine Schoenborn and Jen Daubney hold various awards won by the *Mirror* in competition with other school newspapers last year. (Related story and photo on Page 38). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Robinson Park PTO Bake Sale



ORGANIZING A recent bake sale at Robinson Park Elementary School are Karen Skehan, Becky Bergeron, and Lynn Binder. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

# Helping Hands For Holly Pevzner



Committee Is Sponsoring A Fund Raising Night At Papa Gino's On Memorial Avenue, West Springfield On Monday, December 5th Until Closing.

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## Valley Community Day Care Awarded N.E. Telephone Grant

New England Telephone has awarded grants totalling more than \$42,000 to 13 day care providers in the Western Massachusetts area, including the Valley Community Church & Child Development in Feeding Hills.

NET's day care initiative is part of a \$1.25 million, three-year program started in 1986 to provide funds for capital improvements and renovations to day care centers in the five states served by NET.

Other centers in Western Massachusetts to receive grants are Hampshire College in Amherst, Kids n' Such in Chester, Valley Cap in Chicopee, The Giving Tree School in Gill, Franklin Community Action in Greenfield, Holyoke Day Nursery, Holyoke/Chicopee Headstart, Hampshire Franklin Children's Day Care Center in Leverett, Hampshire Community Action in Northampton, and Southwick Day Care.

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## Agawam Adult Education Sets Pre-Registration Dec. 5th

Pre-registration for the second semester, Winter/Spring Term of Agawam Adult Education Evening School will be Monday, December 5th at Agawam High School, Main Office, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Cost is \$30 per course.

Courses set for the second semester include the following:

**Mondays:** Knitting, Chaircaning, Typing, Quilting.

**Tuesdays:** Oil Painting (limited openings).

**Wednesdays:** Pastry-making and International Bread-making, Cabinetmaking, Auto Body Repair.

**Thursdays:** Introduction to Your Car, Wood Refinishing, Italian Cooking.

Academic classes will be offered on Monday and Thursday evening in the following courses (subject to enrollment): English 11 & 12, U.S. History, Psychology, Algebra I, General Math, Biology, or General Science.

Second Semester begins Monday, January 9th, 1989 and ends March 27th, 1989 (10 weeks).

A second registration will be held on Wednesday, January 4th, and Thursday, January 5th, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

## Local Women Enrolled At Quinnipiac College In Ct.

Area residents are among the more than 700 incoming freshmen and transfer students enrolled at Quinnipiac College, Hamden, Connecticut, this fall. The college enrolls more than 3,000 undergraduate, graduate, and continuing education students in its three schools of Allied Health and Natural Sciences, Business, and Liberal Arts.

Incoming freshmen from Feeding Hills enrolled at Quinnipiac include Rebecca L. Runshaw of 483 South West Street, and Karen E. Wright of 28 North West Street.

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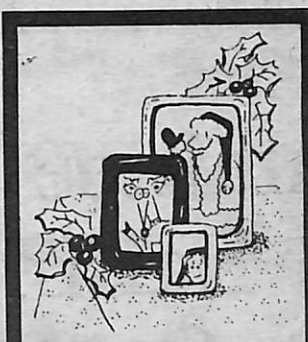
## Annual Thanksgiving Breakfast At Phelps



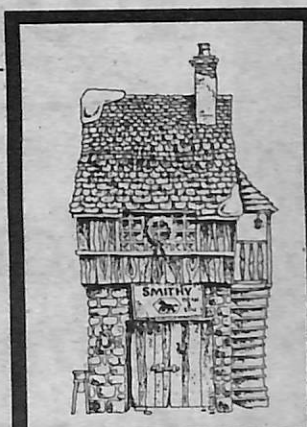
**THE PHELPS SCHOOL ROOM 11 class of Donna Rossi held a Thanksgiving Breakfast last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.**



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## Agawam High HONOR ROLL

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Jennifer Scaggs, Joseph Smelstor, Shawn Smith, Karen Stuart, Lori Tietze, Christopher Trinchini, Christine Turcotte, Tara Vivenzio, Sarah White, Aaron Wood, Jason Wooley, Amy Zielinski, Lori Zukowski.

### SENIORS

Chad Alechny, Kristen Auger, Ann Avery, Robert Ayers, Jr., Michael Bellini, Carolyn Belniak, Kenneth Blews, Mark Bluteau, John Bonavita, Bryan Boutwell, Christopher Brunelle, Kristine Bruno, Robert Bruno, Tammy Buoniconti, Timothy Burns, Maureen Ciempa, Terri Cimaroli, Jeffrey Clarke, Michael Cleavall, Kristen Connor, Suzanne Couture, Mary Ellen Cox, Kristin Daponde, Lori Desimone, Richard DiLullo, Denise Donatini, Heather Dupont, David Fazio, Paula Fieldstad, Charlene Fillion, Christine Fillion, David Fleury, Erich Fogg.

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**Tuesday, December 6th:** Hamburg in roll, steamed rice, diced carrots, chilled peaches, milk.

**Wednesday, December 7th:** Meatballs in sauce, buttered macaroni, Italian bread, broccoli cuts, applesauce or chocolate pudding with topping, milk.

**Thursday, December 8th:** Steamed frankfort in roll, potato puffs, seasoned green beans, fig bars, milk.

**Friday, December 9th:** Roasted turkey with gravy, whipped potatoes, mixed seasoned vegetables, dinner roll, ice cream, milk.

## Diane Ruby Attends '88 Communications Convention

Diane Ruby of Agawam, a senior at UMass, Amherst, attended the annual national convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, November 18th-21st in Boston.

Diane joined 12,000 other speech-language-hearing professionals for the four-day convention program which included short courses, mini-seminars, technical sessions and scientific exhibits. The programs covered state-of-the-art developments and research findings in the field of communication disorders.

ASHA is the professional, scientific and accrediting organization representing 56,000 speech-language pathologists and audiologists who are specifically educated to treat the 24 million people in the U.S. affected by communication problems.

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**PHELPS SCHOOL ROOM 8** Early Childhood Program students were dressed as Pilgrims for the Annual Thanksgiving Feast. Back row, from left - Danny Kim, Rula Yousef, Evan LaBonte, Nichole Gutowski, and Emily Sussmen. Front row - Tiffany Michon, Michael Alfano, Robert Mesick, Luaya Halig, and Jeffrey Surprenant. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**PHELPS SCHOOL ROOM 7** Early Childhood students who participated in the Annual Thanksgiving Feast before the Thanksgiving break are Alicia Hedge, Patrick Hayes, Daniel O'Neil, Matthew McDonald, Kathleen Walters, Scott Webster, Chase St. Peter, Timmy Peabody, Crystal Mesick, Heather Lawson. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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## Traditional Thanksgiving Dinner At Perry Lane Nursery School



ENJOYING A TRADITIONAL THANKSGIVING DINNER prepared at Perry Lane Park Nursey School are the Boyle family. From left - Ashley Marie, Lori, and Curt. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Drug Assistance Program At AHS Dec. 6th

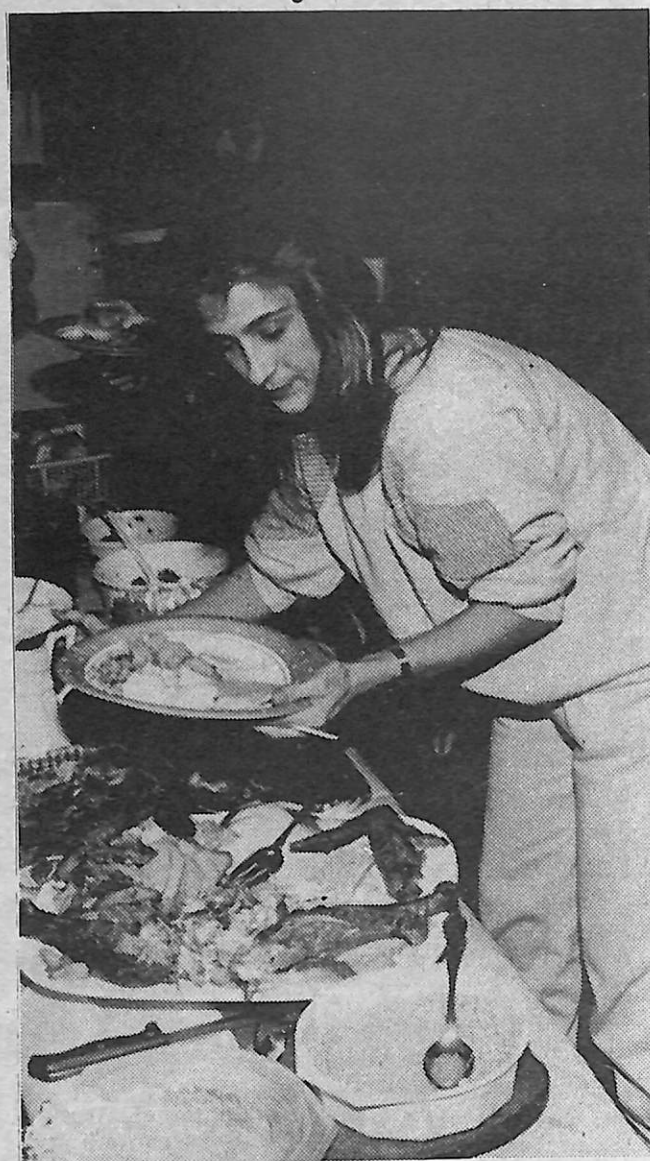
A special meeting for parents of both high school and junior high school students will be held on Tuesday, December 6th, at 7:30 p.m., at the Agawam High School cafeteria.

Guest speaker William Regan will explain a new program to be instituted at both schools next month. This Student Assistance Program is designed to identify and offer help to

students with alcohol or drug-related problems.

Ten staff members from both schools have recently completed intensive training for this program and will be on hand to aid Mr. Regan with his explanation.

Parents of students at both schools are urged to attend and learn about this most important program.



DISHING-OUT her Thanksgiving Dinner at Perry Lane Nursery School is Lynda Ritchott. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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**MARCHING MOHAWKS'** drum majors and Color Guard captains line-up to receive the group's 4th consecutive State and New England Parade Championships Award. Back row - Terri Cimaroli, Jody Melanson, and Sarah White. Front row - Wendy Ziemba and Debbie Garrity.

## Agawam High Marching Mohawks Capture Quincy Xmas Parade

The Agawam High School Band and Color Guard took first place in Divisions I and II at the State and New England Parade Championship Sunday at the Quincy Christmas Parade.

The Marching Mohawks also took all of the special caption awards for Best Color Guard, Best Music, and Best Percussion in winning their fourth consecutive State and New England title in the Small and Medium Size Band Divisions.

The Quincy Christmas Parade is one of the largest in the country and is designated by the Massachusetts Band Judges Association as its state finals and also by the New England Scholastic Bands Association as its championship event.

Fourteen high school bands competed in the Division I and II classes, including groups from Weymouth, Quincy, Norton, Lawrence, Chicopee, Holbrook, Pittsfield, East Bridgewater, Spencer, Southbridge, and Agawam.

Even from among the bands of the large-size divisions, only two received higher scores than Agawam's 90 points. These were the Marshfield Band, who marched in last year's Cotton Bowl Parade, and the Shepherd Hill Regional of Dudley/Charlton, who were designated to represent New England in next year's Cotton Bowl Parade.

This final event of the fall season for the AHS Marching Mohawks brought to a close a truly remarkable season, which included taking first place at the North Adams Fall Foliage Parade in the small band division and also taking the "Flaming Leaves" award for the highest score of any band, regardless of size.

This was the first time that a band from the small division had taken this award. Agawam also took the Best Band Award at Springfield's Columbus Day Parade, and received a silver medal at the State Finals of the Massachusetts Instrumental Conductors Field Show Festival in Framingham.

In Framingham, the Agawam High Color Guard was one of four schools to receive a 5-star rating (from among 28 schools that participated in that event).

## Open House At Phelps



**AT THE RECENT OPEN HOUSE** held at Phelps School, the Busheys, Bill and Joyce, confer with Room 3, grade one teacher Anne Bellico. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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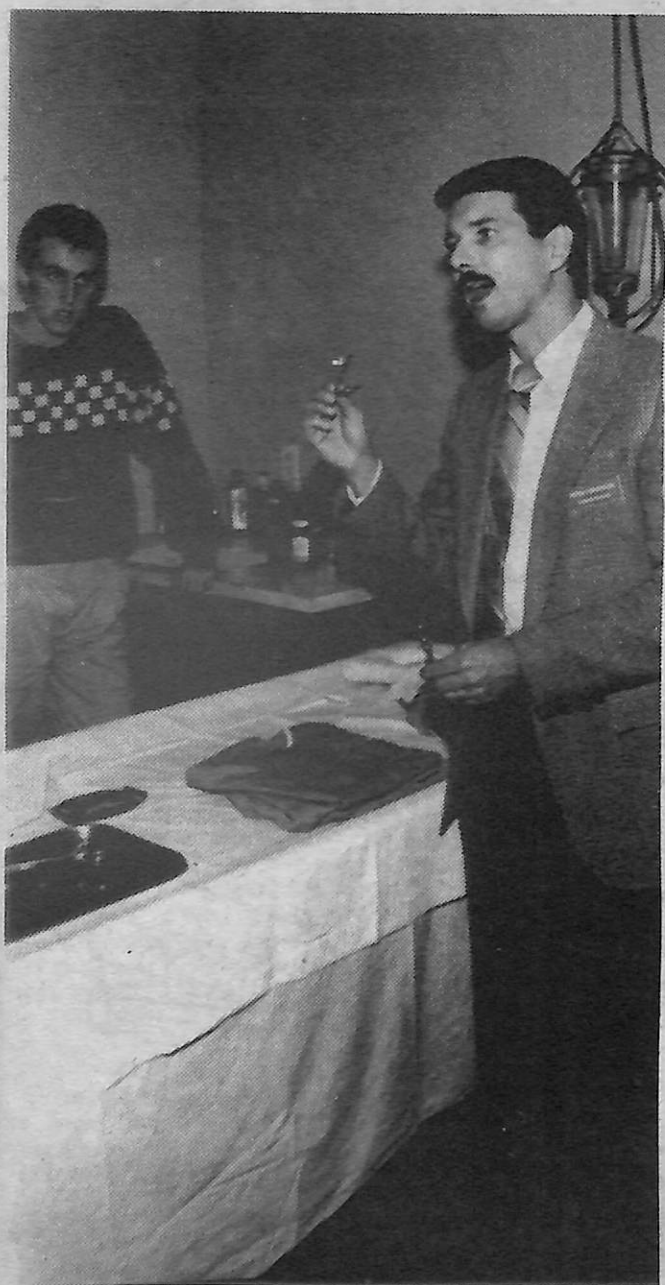
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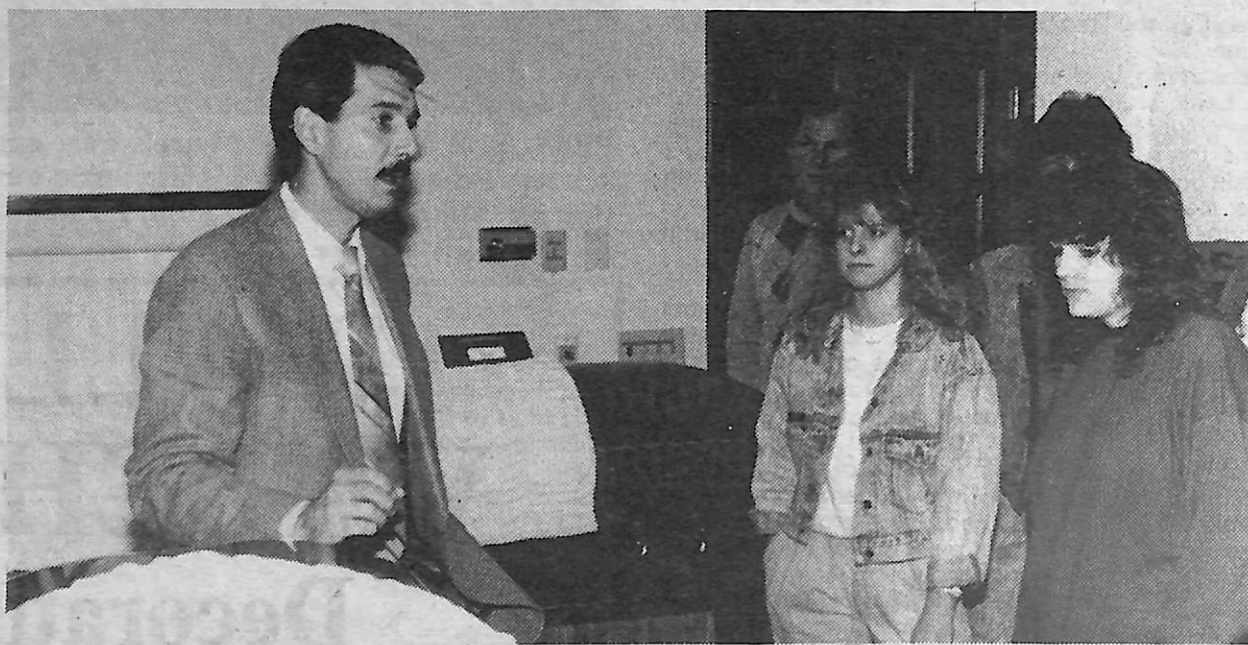




**FUNERAL DIRECTOR PETER FORASTIERE** and Grief Consultant **Lila Forastiere** (right) greet Agawam High psychology students at the Colonial Funeral Home on Main Street. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**FUNERAL DIRECTOR PETER FORASTIERE** explains the embalming process to Agawam High psychology students. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**FUNERAL DIRECTOR Peter Forastiere** answers questions from AHS students about caskets. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Agawam High Students Learn About Grief, Bereavement, Funerals At Colonial Funeral

Learning about bereavement, grief emotions and the funeral process has become part of the curriculum in Edward Merrill's psychology class at Agawam High School.

For the fourth year in a row, a week-long Life Awareness-Death Education course has provided students with an insight awareness into a subject and occupation that few people are knowledgeable of.

The course, designed by Grief Counselor Lila Forastiere and Funeral Director Peter Forastiere, is part of a bi-annual cooperative program between Agawam High School and the Colonial Funeral Home.

The five-day course affords students the opportunity to learn about this sensitive subject, first-hand, with freedom to ask any questions that may come to mind.

Lila Forastiere conducts three of the five days of the course in the classroom focusing on grief emotions, funeral etiquette, and suicide. Peter Forastiere presents a classroom discussion of the history of funeral service, the value of the funeral, and the role of the funeral director. The fifth day concludes with a trip to

the Colonial Funeral Home at 985 Main Street where the students tour the Chapel area, arrangement office, casket selection room, and embalming room.

"We feel that the wake, funeral ceremony, and the funeral home itself are all part of the healing process to help the bereaved deal with their emotional needs," said Peter Forastiere. "The most rewarding part of my job is to provide the bereaved with support and sensitive counseling to help them deal with the most difficult time of their lives."

The Colonial Funeral Home has offered this program to Agawam for four years. The program has been so successful that other school systems have asked the funeral home to provide the same program in their community.

It is all part of the Community Out-Reach Program started by the Colonial Funeral Home several years ago and has grown to include Lecture Series for churches, organizations, public service groups, etc., Widowed Persons Support Groups, Resource Library, Child Guidance, and Funeral Planning.



## Granger School Pushes Sexual Abuse Program At Parents' Workshop

by Iris Copson  
School Dept. Editor

Acting Principal of Granger Elementary School, Phyllis Lewis, held a parent workshop for the Child Abuse Prevention Program (CAPP) on Tuesday evening, November 22nd, in the school cafeteria during Open House.

Mrs. Lewis said, "Granger was the pilot school for CAPP and it is now being done in all four elementary schools in Agawam. Initially, the program was developed by women against rape in Columbus, Ohio."

In an overview, she said, "The goal of CAPP is to reduce the children's vulnerability to sexual assault by training elementary school children to recognize and deal with potentially dangerous situations."

There was some discussion on identifying by disclosure of actual assaults or incidences and how to respond to a child in crisis. She said, "We'll be spending some time looking at your role as a parent in preventing child assault as well as the teacher's role. The community must assume responsibility for the safety of our children."

CAPP helps children identify adults within the community whom they could go to if they needed help. Mrs. Lewis said, "The parent workshops this year will introduce CAPP to kindergarten parents at Granger since this is the only grade not yet exposed to the program. The workshops are open to all parents, including those of new students."

She added, "A plea for adult assistants to work with the program is being made. We have applied for a grant to get eight more people trained, even if it is only to work in their own child's school."

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Eight people are trained under the Governor's Alliance on Alcohol and Drugs abuse education for three different programs. CAPP, along with DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) and a new program entitled "Here's Looking At You 2000," all fall under this umbrella in Agawam.

The new "2000" is introduced to second and fourth grades. There are two tubs of educational material within the classroom for teachers to utilize at their discretion. This way, "2000" can be incorporated into the present curriculum activities to coincide with current programs.

Mrs. Lewis said, "Under the umbrella, these three programs can be run at one school for two to three months and then go to another school. Granger will be presenting the programs from November through January."

Concerning background information about CAPP, Mrs. Lewis stated, "In 1970 there were no rape crisis centers, support groups, or very many prevention programs for survivors of sexual assault. Child sexual assault and adult rape are very similar in that they both foster feelings of helplessness and vulnerability."

Myths and the staggering statistics of sexual assaults were also discussed.

"Three facts that make children vulnerable to assault are: 1) lack of information about sexual assault; 2) dependence on adults; and 3) isolation," said Mrs. Lewis. "Children only see other children as playmates, not as a source of help or support in the community (without prevention education)."

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The two approaches to prevention of sexual assault presently used are to deal with the interaction between offender and victim, and trying to control the behavior of one or the other. Statistics show that 75 percent of assaults occur between offender and victims that are acquainted. The first attempt to control the offender is through prosecution.

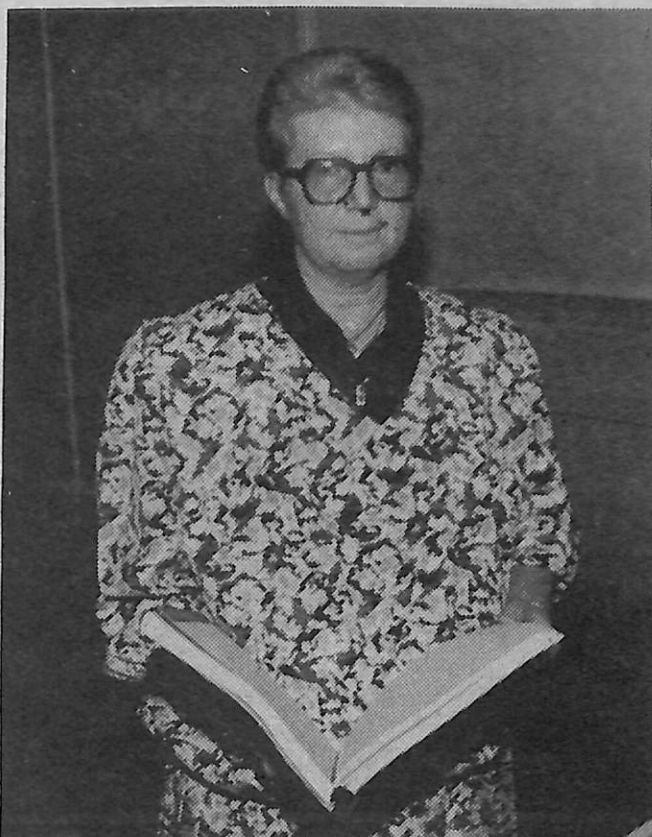
Mrs. Lewis said, "This, unfortunately, is not prevention in most cases, because it is occurring after the fact. Do you want to use prosecution to protect your child?"

That is why one of the role plays in CAPP deals with "someone the child knows, loves and trusts." She concluded, "We rarely discuss this possibility with other adults, let alone children. Failing to provide children with information increases their risk."

In a further description of CAPP's approach to prevention, she said, "We seek strategies that will foster independence, confidence and strength. CAPP focuses on three main strategies: 1) self assertion; 2) peer support; and 3) telling a trusted adult."

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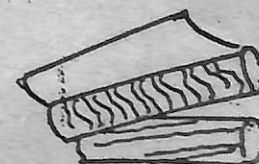
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## "Tales Of Thanksgiving" By Clark School 1st Graders



CLARK SCHOOL FIRST GRADER Indians in Room 7 are the authors of this week's Kids' Korner. The teacher is Sheryl Mardeusz. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



### Frank The Turkey

Once there was a turkey named Frank that was on the farm. One day he went to the forest. He heard gunshots. Then he heard footsteps. The Pilgrims came closer and closer. Then a wolf came. He ate the turkey. A Pilgrim shot the wolf. Frank kicked in his stomach and got out. Frank went back to the farm and had a feast.

Nicholas D'Angelo

### Indians And Friends

Once there was an Indian. His name was Squanto. He lived in a teepee. He saw a Pilgrim. He made friends. He didn't hurt him. Then all the Indians and Pilgrims were friends together!

Kelly Webb

### Jennifer The Pilgrim Girl

One morning Jennifer was getting ready for Thanksgiving. She had to brush her teeth after she ate breakfast. She set the table. She helped cook turkeys. They were good to eat.

Kristen Kocot

### The First Thanksgiving

Once upon a time there was an Indian named Squanto. He helped people so they could plant food to keep in their houses for winter. After the winter, they had a nice party. It was called Thanksgiving. It lasted three days. The Indians and Pilgrims played games together. They all had a great time. Then they went into the forest to look at nice things like roses.

Lauren Kunkler

### Rosie The Turkey

There was a turkey named Rosie living out in the woods. A Pilgrim and an Indian came. They both saw her. But they didn't shoot her. She ran away very quick because she thought that she was going to get shot! Then she saw they didn't have any weapons. So she stayed where she was. She looked at them very still. They came closer. They all made friends.

Valerie Cross

### I Am A Pilgrim Girl

I am a Pilgrim girl. One day my family and I got to see the Mayflower. We got to see other Pilgrims. One of the Pilgrims asked my name and I told her "Rebecca." I worked hard at home. I had to help cook, serve food, clean, and wash dishes. I had a great Thanksgiving even though I had to work hard.

Rebecca Goulet

### Harry The Turkey

Once upon a time there was a turkey named Harry. He didn't want to be killed for Thanksgiving, so he dressed-up like a Pilgrim girl. Instead of talking like a Pilgrim, he talked like an Indian. He said, "How!" Then he said, "How do you do?" to Squanto. The Pilgrims found out that he was a turkey so an Indian girl kept him for a pet. Harry was happy!

Hilary King

### Two Friends

Once there was a turkey named Sam. He was in the forest. Once he dressed up like a Pilgrim. Then he made friends with an Indian. The Indian was kind. He brought Sam to the teepee. Sam gave the Indian a feather to put in his headband.

Glenn Hill

### The Mayflower Mouse Friends

Once there was the Mayflower. On board, there were two Pilgrim mice named Fred and Ralph. They were going to America for freedom. When they got there, they were happy. They met an Indian mouse named Squanto. Squanto helped them make houses.

Brian Borkosky

### Mark The Turkey

A long time ago there was a turkey named Mark. One day he went way, way into the forest. Before he knew it, he got lost! He heard footsteps coming from the forest. They came closer. A Pilgrim shot Mark the turkey. He had Mark for Thanksgiving dinner.

Edwin Torres

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# One Of Our Kids' Korner Classes From Robinson Park



**THE ROOM SEVEN, Grade One class of teacher Gloriajean Sheiber at Robinson Park School recently participated in our Kids' Korner.** Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## KIDS' KORNER - From Page 47...

### All About Pilgrims

Once there were Pilgrims on a boat called the Mayflower. A couple of people died because there were storms. They were coming to America for freedom. They found land. They stayed on the boat until they could find a place to build a cabin. They met an Indian named Squanto. First they were scared but then they found out he was nice to them. He taught the children games and the boys how to hunt. When there was a lot of food, they all had a feast. It lasted three days. It was Thanksgiving.

Crystal Place

### Pete The Turkey

Pete lived out in the forest. He met a Pilgrim named Jonathan. They became friends. Jonathan invited Pete to a Thanksgiving feast. Jonathan dressed Pete up like a Pilgrim so the other Pilgrims wouldn't eat him. They had a good time!

Jonathan Wilson

### Pilgrims And Indians

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They found America. It was winter. It was hard to work. A few of them died. When it was spring, an Indian came by who was named Squanto. He helped the Pilgrims plant food. They had a lot of food, so they had the first Thanksgiving.

Sara Borden

### Pilgrim Tom Saves The Bear

Once upon a time there was a Pilgrim boy named Tom. He went out into the forest. He climbed trees to find turkeys. Then he'd shoot the turkeys from the trees. One day he fell down from a tree. He broke his leg! A bear came along and Tom was afraid that he'd attack him. But the bear was gentle—he was just a cub! Squanto came along and was going to shoot the bear but Tom yelled, "Stop! Stop!" When the

Thanksgiving feast came, the bear got a bowl of honey and a turkey leg.

Paul Sawyer

### Tom Turkey Goes To A Party

Once upon a time there was a turkey named Tom. He lived in a forest. He heard some Pilgrims walking to invite him to their party. They had a good party. The Pilgrims ate turkey but not Tom. He ate fish!

Alex Akers-Buss

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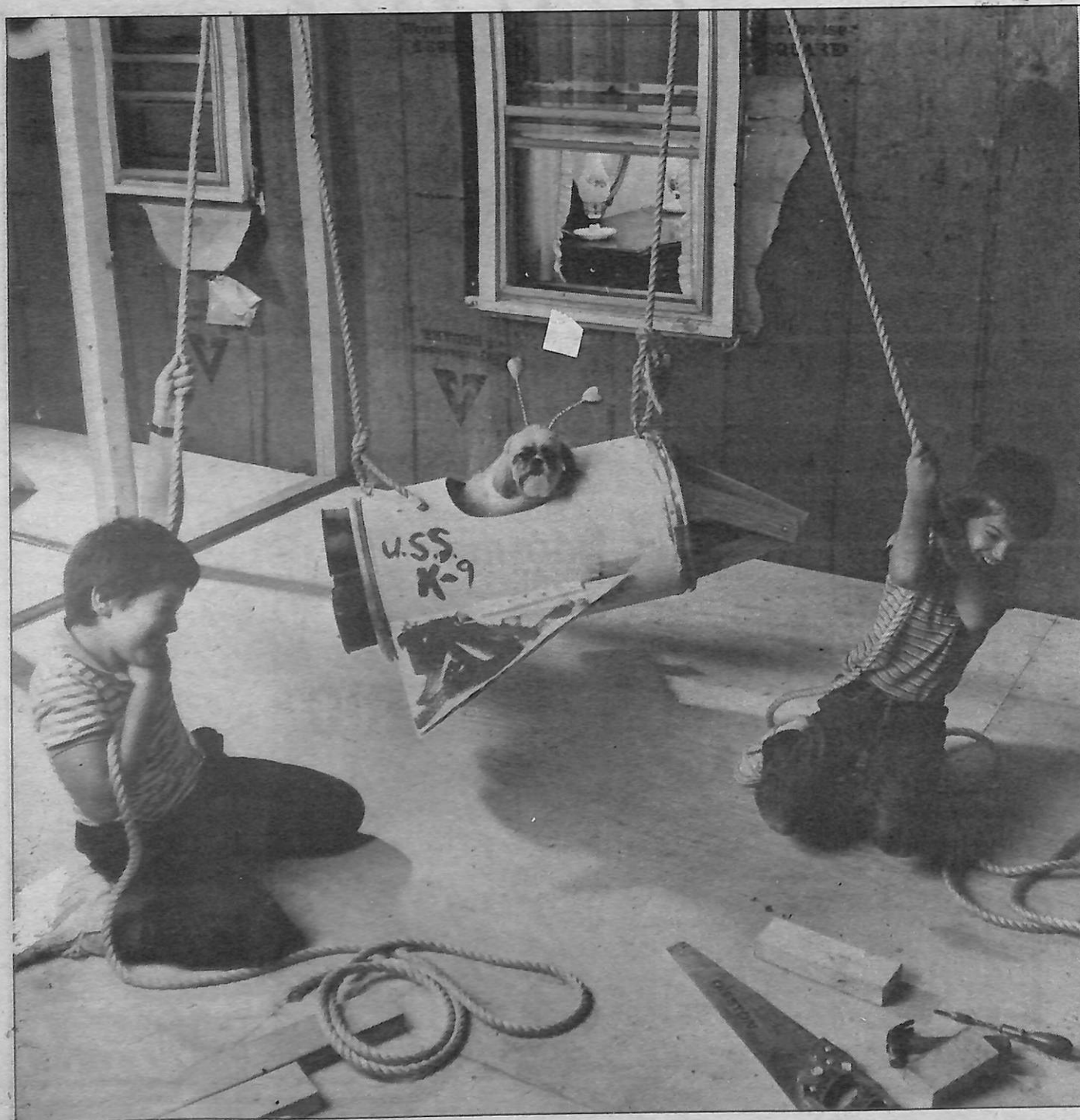
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**KIDS' KORNER** - continued from Page 48...**A Turkey Called Anthony**

Anthony Turkey went outside to play. He didn't want to get eaten so he dressed like a Pilgrim boy. He put on a shirt, a hat, and he was carrying a bow-and-arrow. He shot a real Pilgrim by accident. He ran to get his mother and father for help. They all started gobbling for help.

Anthony Moretti

**Mr. Pilgrim**

Once upon a time there was a Pilgrim who was hunting. He went to get a turkey. He didn't know that there were turkeys in the forest, so he went to the Indians to get one. He was one of the Pilgrims that sailed to America on a ship. They had a Thanksgiving feast.

Philip Hebert

**What I Am Thankful For**

I am thankful for my Mom and Dad, my sister and brother, my dog and cat, for food and my clothes and my teacher.

Gina Loudfoot

**What I Am Thankful For**

I am thankful for my dog who is going to have puppies, my Mom and Dad, my brother, my other two dogs, my teachers, and all my other relatives.

Jeremiah Graves

**We Didn't Forget...**

I like Thanksgiving Day. Turkeys are fun. Grandpa is fun. Grandma is fun. I like Thanksgiving. It is fun. I like my friends. We like my turkey. We eat turkey. We like Thanksgiving. Wishbones are fun. I like stuffing. I like mashed potatoes.

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## AHS Stage Alive With Music From Alumni Of School's Band

by Iris Copson  
School Dept. Editor

The Agawam High School Marching Mohawk Band Concert held on Thanksgiving Eve was part of a program coordinated by AHS Director of Music Darcy Davis to celebrate the AHS Band and Color Guard's Alumni Reunion.

He said, "We were pleased to welcome some 30 alumni members, including five former drum majors, six former Color Guard captains, and three past band presidents."

The five former Drum Majors helped to lead the musicians through several numbers during the performance. **Patty Smith '80**, **Larry Manning '84**, **Diana Porter '85**, **Lisa Ziegert '86**, and **Dave Ziegert '88**, alternately led the AHS Band with the present Senior Drum Major Terri Cimaroli and Sarah White, junior drum major.

Davis said, "On a very full stage, the former musicians joined AHS Band members to play six or seven selections. The former Color Guard members tried to remember how they used to swing those things."

Former band presidents who added their instruments to the ensemble were **Paul Joseph** (trombone '85), **Tom Gionfriddo** (trombone '87), and **Jeff MacKechnie** (alto sax '88). Vice-President **Kevin Hendel** (tenor sax '84) also joined in. This was all done without the benefit of rehearsals for the Alumni band members.

Davis said, "Since the Alumni are the more advanced musicians, they were able to sight read the music sheets quite easily and everything went very well. We

concentrated on songs from the 1980's that were familiar to many of the former members from recent years."

Color Guard Captains who participated in the reunion were Flag Captains **Amy Porter '84**, and **Lisa Letendre '84**, Rifle Captains **Debbie Twarog '84**, **Barbara Garrity '86**, and **Karen Twarog '88**.

**Marie Tourville**, a former Color Guard member, was also present but could not take part in the actual performance with a brand new baby in her arms, noted Davis.

Several band Alumni were present as parents of this year's band members and enjoyed listening to the performance. The oldest performing alumni was **Michael Davidson '71**, who played drums. Other alumni musicians were **Jeff Hastings** (trumpet '85), **Todd Conery**

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AGAWAM HIGH DRUM MAJORS Sarah White (junior-left) and Terri Cimaroli (senior-right) greet Alumni band members at last Wednesday's Alumni Concert at Agawam High School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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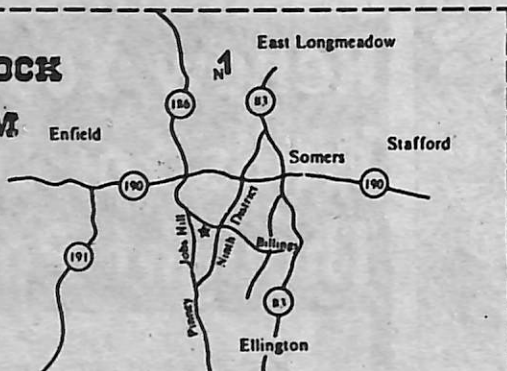
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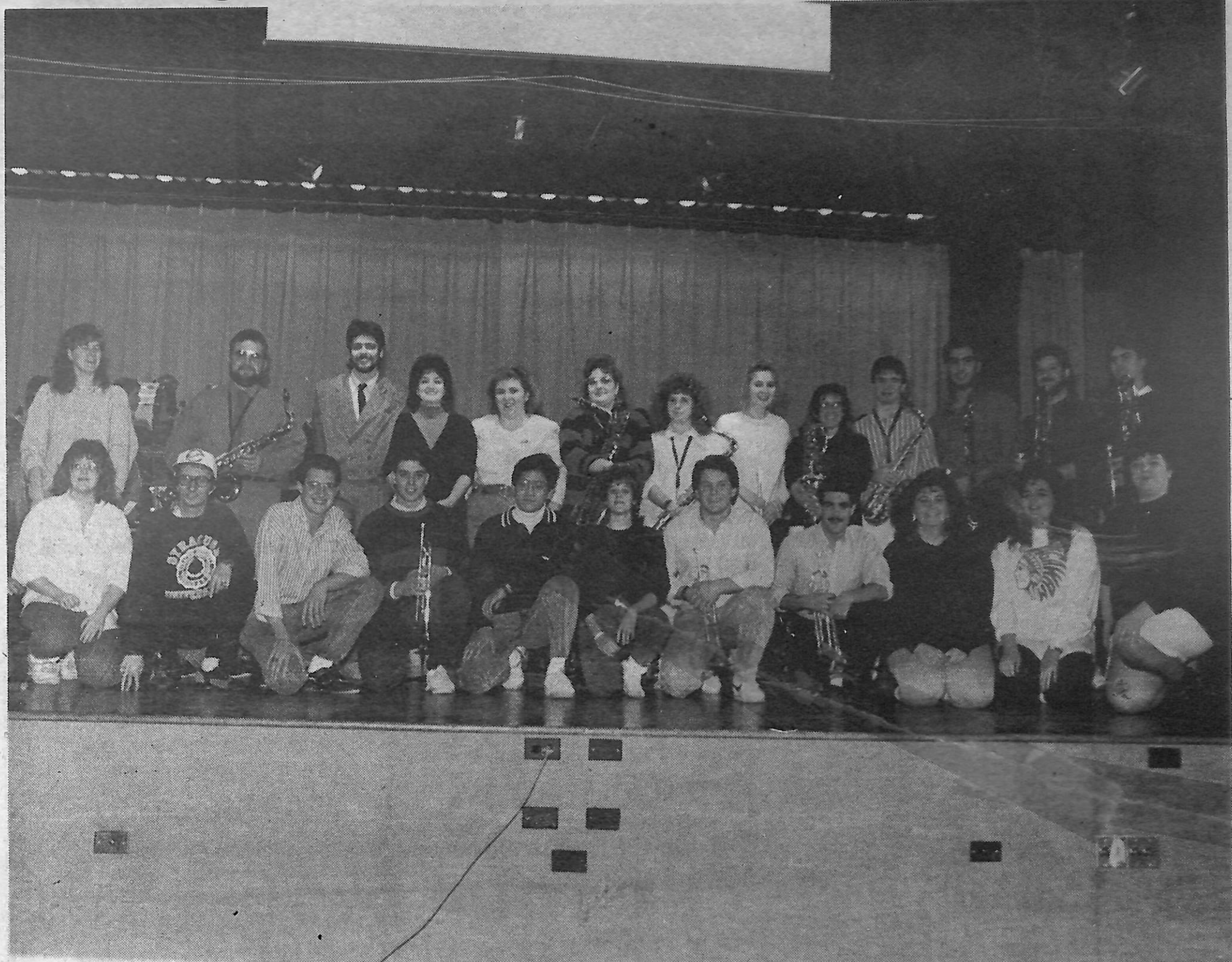
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# West Side Wins Turkey Day Over Stunned Brownies 22-21

by Scott Miller  
Advertiser News Staff

Going in, the 4-4 Agawam High football Brownies were the prohibitive favorites in their 63rd clash with 2-7 West Springfield High on a cold and clear Thanksgiving morning.

But don't tell that to the Terriers, a team that absorbed a 48-6 thrashing to the Brownies a year ago at Harmon Smith Field on Turkey Day.

Don't tell that to the Terriers, a team that had lost five straight Thanksgiving games to the Brownies, in-

cluding last year's fiasco.

Don't tell that to the Terriers, a team that won its first two football games this year after going two straight without enjoying the winner's circle.

Don't tell that to the Terriers, a team that clearly played an inferior schedule in the weaker Suburban League.

So, before a stunned crowd of well over 3,000 fans at blustery Clarke Field, West Side hammered-out an

emotional, 22-21 victory over AHS to salvage a 3-7 1988 campaign.

The Brownies ended a disappointing 4-5. The loss to West Side hurt.

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The Brownies certainly didn't play well and the Terriers did. Still, the locals had a chance to pull this one from the fires in a last ditch effort that began with 4:15 left on the game clock.

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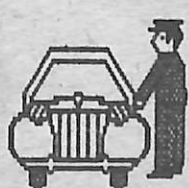
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**WEST SIDE WINS - From Page 54...**

Having been battered by three West Side touchdowns in the second half, the Brownies struck back with lightning quickness when on the end of a 22-15 deficit.

On the second play from scrimmage, senior quarterback John Serra tossed an 84-yard strike to junior wideout Shawn Smith that brought the Brownies to a 22-21 deficit.

Coach Joe Modzelewski made the critical decision following the dramatic TD - go for the two-point conversion and the win.

But the Terriers had earned this victory and Todd Holloway, West Side's leading scorer, saved the day when he batted-down Serra's pass attempt on the conversion.

The Serra-to-Smith connection will go down into the history books of Agawam vs. West Side as one of the most dramatic plays ever, but the missed two-point conversion leading to West Side's upset victory also won't soon be forgotten.

Delirium was abundant at Clarke Field and it was the home folks who were bragging in the early afternoon hours.

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The Brownies opened this 1988 Thanksgiving game like a hot knife running through butter. A six play, 60-yard drive was capped-off by a 12-yard sprint to paydirt by junior tailback Jason Wooley. Wooley danced and weaved into the endzone virtually untouched. After Serra added the extra-point, most in attendance thought Agawam was on its way to another easy win.

But the rest of the first half saw the West Side defense steadily gain confidence as it turned back every Brownie surge, including containing Wooley from breaking the long one.

In fact, West Side managed a two-point safety in the second quarter when defensive tackle Steve Barber broke through the line and drove Wooley into the end-

zone. The Brownies had been trapped on West Side's one-yard line, and the first play from scrimmage for AHS gave West Side its two points.

It was a bad omen.

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In the second half, West Side began believing in itself when quarterback Dave Bedard completed his only pass of the day in the third quarter - but it was a biggie. He found Rob Bishop for 26-yards and paydirt that gave West Side a 9-7 lead.

West Side presented the Brownies with a fruit basket midway through the period on a muffed punt attempt. Center Rob Reilly's snap eluded Holloway's hands and the Brownies had the ball on West Side's five.

Wooley then found the endzone again from four yards out with 6:56 left, and Serra ran in for two points. 15-9, Brownies.

But West Side coach Ken Kindig and his charges weren't through believing in themselves. With just under two-and-a-half minutes gone in the fourth quarter, West Side's line was dominating, pushing the Brownies 73-yards downfield that ended when Holloway scored. The extra-point was good and West Side lead, 16-15.

After trading punts, West Side retained excellent field position at the Agawam 40 with about six minutes left. Two Holloway runs moved the ball to the 33. Wingback Mark Biagini then raced to his biggest touchdown in his varsity career from 33-yards out. Holloway, missed the extra-point, but the Terriers now led, 22-15.

What happened over the next four minutes only adds to the legend of Agawam vs. West Side.

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The Brownies are now 43-17-3 since the series began in 1924. Wooley ended the season with nine touchdowns to finish fifth in the AA Conference scoring race. Fullback Ken Blews finished ninth conference scoring with five touchdowns.



LORI HARPIN

### Lori Harpin Member Of Westfield State Soccer Team

Lori Harpin, daughter of Fred & Christine Harpin of 32 Federal Street, Agawam, was a member of the Westfield State College Women's Soccer Team this past fall. The Lady Owl booters posted a 10-4-1 record, the most wins in the school's program, and placed second in the Massachusetts State Conference with a 3-1 record.

Ms. Harpin is the fastest player on the team, and rated one of the best sweepers in the New England region.

Ms. Harpin, a junior regional planning and biology major, is a graduate of Agawam High School.

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### UNDER 10 BOYS

1. Jean's Hellions	12 points
2. Feeley's Apollos	8 points
3. Boskiewicz's Beacons	7 points
4. Mosher's Mustangs	7 points
5. Wheeler's Tornados	4 points
6. DePalma's Cosmos	3 points
7. Skowrya's Cougars	1 point

### UNDER 12 BOYS

1. Scherban's Apollos	14 points
2. Hamre's Cosmos	8 points
3. Wegrzyn's Hellions	8 points
4. Bednarzyk's Falcons	6 points
5. Poggi's Beacons	2 points

### UNDER 10 GIRLS

1. McCullough's Hellions	14 points
2. Shea's Stingers	13 points
3. Caneul's Strikers	7 points
4. Douglas' Cosmos	4 points
5. Patterson's Rowdies	2 points

### UNDER 12 GIRLS

1. Alfano's Strikers	15 points
2. Murphy's Cosmos	13 points
3. Pettazzoni's Hellions	8 points
4. Plowman's Rowdies	0 points

### UNDER 14 CO-ED

1. Sheehan's Rowdies	12 points
2. Mazeika's Hellions	9 points
3. Lessard's Strikers	7 points
4. Copson's Cosmos	5 points
5. Zern's Stingers	3 points

### UNDER 17 CO-ED

1. Flynn's Stingers	16 points
2. Parrotta's Rowdies	14 points
3. Kendall's Hellions	13 points
4. Hollister's Cosmos	5 points
5. Corradino's Strikers	4 points
6. Washburn's Blazers	2 points

## Agawam Park & Rec Sets Open Gym Schedule

The Agawam High School Gym will be open to all adults on Monday evenings from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m., December 5th, 12th, and 19th. The cost will be \$2 per person, payable to the supervisor at the door. You are requested to bring your own basketballs, etc. Beginning on January 9th and 12th, 1989, the gym will be open on Monday and Thursday evenings.

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## G-Town Easy Winner In Tri-Parish Bowling

As expected, Georgetown (31 wins) easily won Round One of the Monday night Tri-Parish Bowling League, held at the popular Agawam Bowl on Walnut Street Extension.

Finishing second was Villanova (25 wins) and Boston College was next in third place with 25 wins. A much-improved St. Michael team ended in fourth (24½ wins) and Holy Cross was fifth (24½ wins).

Georgetown showed little concern during its match vs. St. Anselm (8th place-21 wins) in this 11th week. St. A's took advantage of G-Town's lack of fire and managed to scratch-out three wins.

High rollers for St. A's included RICHARD SNYDER (292) and captain TONY KOZAK (305). Kozak upset G-Town captain AL "The Fearsome One" MOCCIO, who was still crowing about how easily his team had destroyed the rest of the league in Round One. Moccio ended Round One with a solid average of 105.18, good for second place in Class AAA.

G-Town winners included CINDY KOZAK (287) and VI MASSOIA (276).

Villanova annexed second place with its three victories over Boston College in the 11th week. Villanova got a huge lift from BARBARA HOWARD (309), who won her lead-off match by 46 pins. Barbara's 131 single set a new seasonal high previously held by CINDY KOZAK in the women's division. Also winning for Villanova were PAUL LAGODITZ (279) and TOM BURR (321).

In the battle of the captains, Villanova's RENEE JURY held her own vs. JOHN O'CONNELL (313-328). O'Connell ended Round One at a 106.12 clip, good for third place in the Men's Open Division.

Holy Cross took three wins from Catholic University (6th place-23 wins). HC winners were BLANCHE

SODEN (big 67-pin victory with her 327), and captain LARRY VIENS (297). Viens crushed CU captain JIM SNYDER, who managed a terrible 267. CU winners were CAROLINE COELLN (259) and KATHY BURLINGHAM (309-305 win over STEP STEPANIAN).

Seventh place Notre Dame (21 wins) kept Fordham (16 wins-11th place) close to the cellar, with three victories. ND winners were BOB PICKETT (307-good start for ND), and in the anchors-spot, captain JOHN RESCIGNO (325). Rescigno's 36-pin uprising over Fordham captain ANN O'CONNELL (289) sealed this one for ND. Also winning for ND was CHERYL PRZESZLO (303).

The only Fordham winner was SANDY PRZESZLO (305).

In the final match of the night, Loyola (10th place-18 wins) fought last place St. Louis (15 wins). If you remember, St. Lou was the 1987-1988 Grand Champions, basking in the glory last May. Now, St. Lou rests peacefully in the cellar.

Loyola winners were CHRIS STEPANIAN (262) and captain STEVE ROVITHIS (336). Rovithis, the leading men's roller in Class AAA with a nifty 107.0, crunched St. Lou captain DEBBIE POIRIER (284). Debbie is still the leading roller for the women (96.8), but she's way off last year's torrid pace that brought her MVP honors. Some say Debbie has a secret that may unravel what's happened.

St. Lou winners included VENETTA SNYDER and none other than FRANK "The Lordly Barber" RESCIGNO, who continues to be a prime time substitute this year. Frankie fired a 319 in his mercenary role, and it's poetic justice that Frankie had such a good night with a last place team.

So goes the trials and tribulations of our poor Lordly Barber.

## Tony Orefice Member Of '88 Westfield State Golf Team

Tony Orefice, son of Angelo & Margaret Orefice of 137 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam, was a member of the Westfield State College golf team during the 1988 fall season.

The Owl linksters of veteran coach John Kurty had another solid season, placing ninth at the ECAC qualifier and 14th out of 47 teams at the All New Englands.

Tony is a graduate of Agawam High School, and is a sophomore economics major at Westfield.



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For the past several years realty forces have been lobbying heavily in Boston in an attempt to open up some of the 56,000 acres to multiple use. If they were successful in opening up the areas, land surrounding Quabbin would jump sky high in value.

No doubt there would eventually be billboards throughout the state touting Quabbin as the recreational center of the state. Thank the MDC Commissioners for having enough power in the Legislature to defeat the attempts to open the land to the public. If a foot had been successful in opening the door, the pristine beauty of Quabbin would have been lost forever.

The major changes to the current regulations are now that the reservoir will now be closed from an hour after sunset to one hour before dawn. At present the reservation is open 24 hours a day. Overnight fishing will be allowed at only six entry gates at Quabbin and by permit only (currently unrestricted overnight fishing), and all recreational vehicles except snowmobiles are prohibited in the north Quabbin reservation (currently allowed).

Geary, commissioner of the MDC, said sportsmen were concerned that rules would be "the first step to completely eliminating fishing from the reservoir."

He said that in light of tougher federal regulations

for water quality, the new recreation rules are a step which will prevent the EPA and other regulatory agencies (saying) if nothing goes, you will have to eliminate everything. Banning recreational vehicles from Quabbin was a must.

Geary said, "The evidence of the significant damage that those type of vehicles have inflicted on the watershed is overwhelming."

The new rules will also require history and education groups seeking to use the watershed lands to obtain a \$3 permit. And bicycling, which is currently allowed on all roads, will be restricted to paved roads only at certain gates during daylight hours.

Cross-country skiing, fires, sailing, swimming, hunting, and dogs have been and will continue to be prohibited at Quabbin under the plan.

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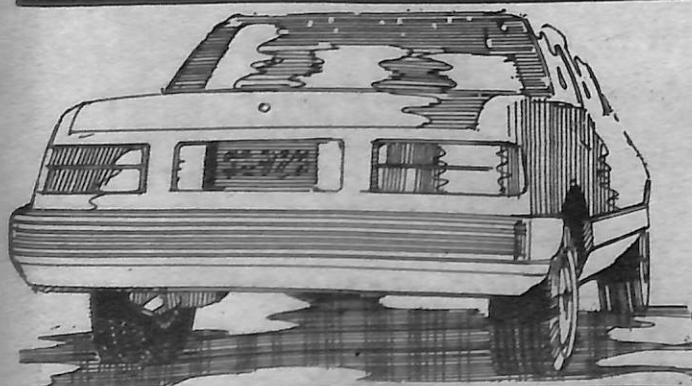
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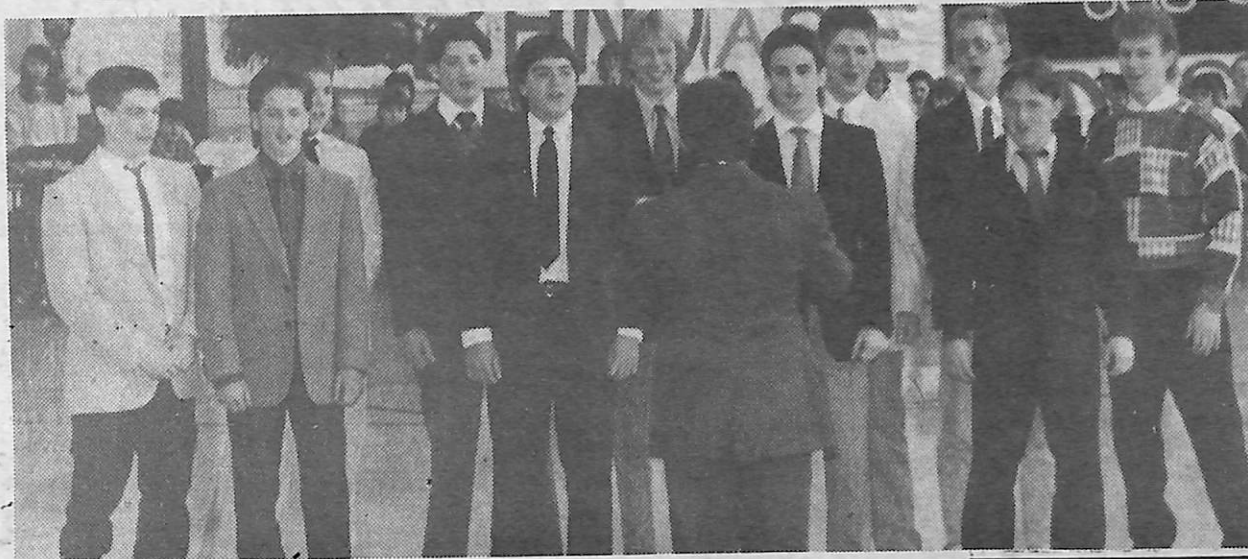
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**AGAWAM WILDCATS UNDER 10 boys' soccer team.** Back row, from left - coach Al O'Quinn, head coach Bob Rousseau, and coach Ken Cizek. Middle row - Kyle Gendron, Eric Danner, Chris Rousseau, Keith Benton, Nick Dion, Jason Hanscom, Richard Poggi, and Curtis Cuccia. Front row - Danny Cizek, Sean Garvey, Bryan O'Quinn, Chris Boulay, Vinny Carannante, Steven Rovithis, Matt Maynard, and Brian Gallagher.

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## Agawam Wildcats Soccer Team P.V. Under 10 Champs

The Agawam Wildcats Soccer Team coached by Bob Rousseau, Ken Cizek, and Al O'Quinn completed their first fall season in the Pioneer Valley Junior Soccer League by winning the Under 10 championship. The team posted a record of 9 wins and 1 loss.

Leading the offense, which scored a league high of 36 goals, were Steve Rovithis and Keith Benton. Also providing scoring punch were wingers Rich Poggi and Jason Hanscom and forwards Vinny Carannante and Brian Gallagher. Nick Dion headed a strong group of midfielders which included Matt Maynard, Kyle Gendron, and Curtis Cuccia.

The defense sparkled all season long giving up only four goals—best in the league. Bryan O'Quinn posted six shutouts in goal and received outstanding support from fullbacks Eric Danner, Chris Rousseau, Chris Boulay, Sean Garvey, and Danny Cizek.

Highlights of the season included a sweep of all three games against arch rival Ludlow as well as a sudden death shootout loss to Brookside in the final playoff game.

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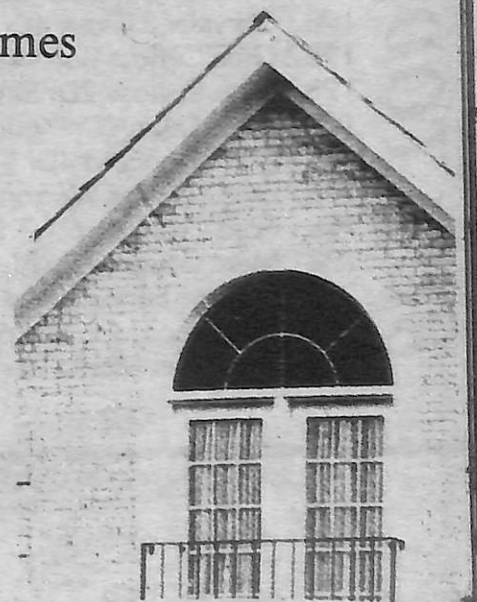
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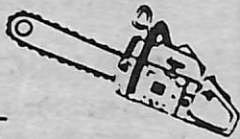
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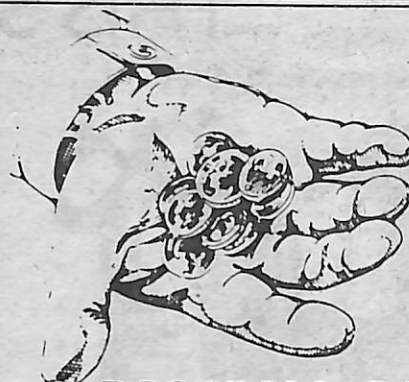
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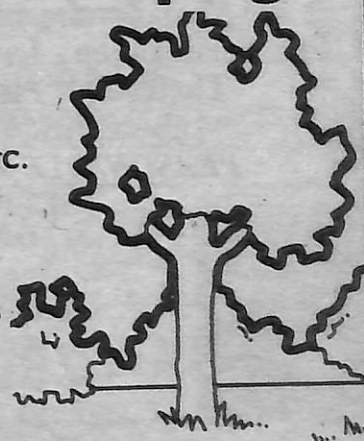
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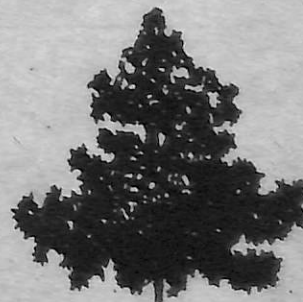


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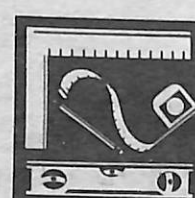
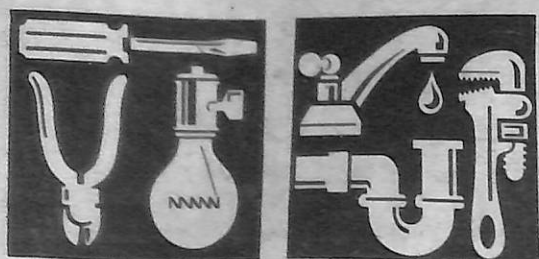
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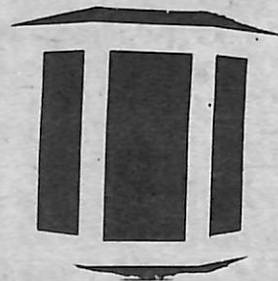
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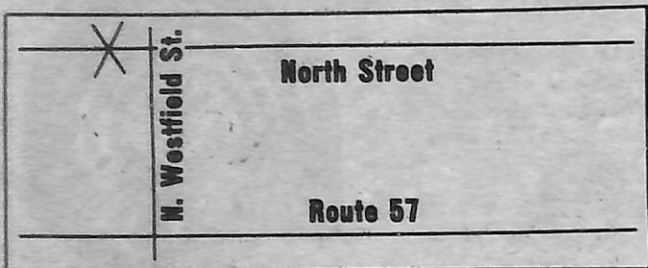




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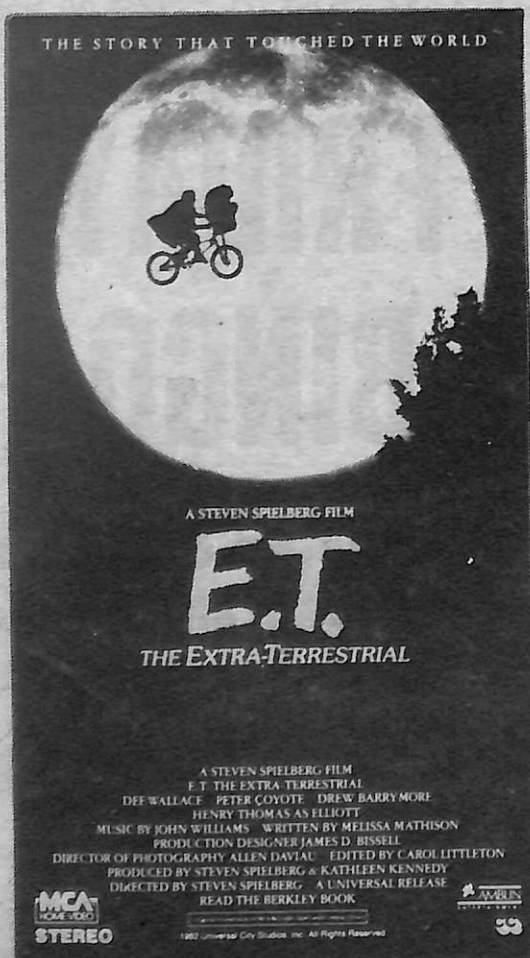
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